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"New" Labour Govt. To Push Bills

London, Oct. 6.

The freshly reshuffled Labour Government, with a strong infusion of new blood, will initiate further changes in the social and economic life of Great Britain when Parliament reconvenes on Tuesday after the Summer recess.

Young men are replacing older men in several key posts in Prime Minister Attlee's Government team, but the "Socialist planners" roundly denounced by the Conservative National Conference during the past three days, remain in charge of the stepped-up drive toward nationalization.

The Ministries directly involved in public ownership plans—Supply, Transport, Fuel and Treasury, among others—still are to be headed by the avowedly Socialist "veterans" who have been in office since Labour swept into power in the Summer of 1945.

Parliament also will be asked for early ratification of the nation's new defence scheme which sets up a separate Ministry of Defence, headed by A. V. Alexander, and drops the Admiralty, War and Air Ministers from the Cabinet.

Bevin's Boys

Mr. Alexander, formerly First Lord of the Admiralty, has been Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin's right hand man at the Paris Peace Conference. Christopher Mayhew, 31-year-old economist who becomes Foreign Under-Secretary, also is listed among Mr Bevin's boys.

Both appointments suggest that Mr. Bevin's bluntness toward Russia, despite misgivings from some Conservative and Left-Wing Labourites, will remain a part of Britain's official foreign policy.

Two major bills which the Government is preparing involve the transfer to public ownership of industries with a capital value approaching £2,500,000,000.

Railways To Be Nationalised

One provides for the nationalisation of railways, road transport and canals. The other provides for electricity and gas supplies. The present private ownership of each group of industries, with strong backing from the Conservative side of the Commons, have dug in for a fight.

Besides nationalisation measures, the Government plans to introduce a Prison Reform Bill which will forbid flogging—now permitted for some crimes of violence—and may declare a "capital punishment holiday."

"All high priority legislation will await the formal opening of the new session early in November. Both the House of Commons and the House of Lords must put the finishing touches meanwhile, to the measures which were introduced before the present session recessed.—Associated Press.

BACK TO "ROOSEVELT"

London, Oct. 6.

Moscow radio says that there is increasing American dissatisfaction with the United States domestic and foreign policy and a growing demand for the return "to the Roosevelt line."—Associated Press.

"Pacusan Dreamboat" In Cairo

Cairo, Oct. 6.

The stripped Super-Fortress "Pacusan Dreamboat" arrived over Cairo today, its petrol reserve running dangerously low as a result of having to overcome severe icing conditions over the Polar region.

As it neared the Cairo airfield, the captain radioed (at 0600 GMT) asking permission to make a "straight in" landing instead of the usual traffic approach and preliminary circuit of the field.

This was granted and the 'plane came in to a perfect landing, to face a battery of newspapermen and photographers.

The "Dreamboat's" crew reported that the weathermen were right when they said that the 'plane's trans-Polar flight involved a "worst-weather route."

The 'plane completed its 10,000-mile flight from Honolulu at 0803 GMT. There was barely enough fuel left to cover the bottom of its tanks.

The Army 'plane has not broken the world's long-distance record established last week by the U.S. Navy's "Truculent Turtle," which flew 11,236 miles non-stop from Perth, Australia, to Columbus, Ohio, and still had fuel left to cover quite a few more miles.—Associated Press.

R.A.F. Disappointed

London, Oct. 6.

The "Pacusan Dreamboat" reached London an hour ahead of schedule and did so with so little warning of its approach that the Royal Air Force had to abandon plans to send up an escort of Mosquito 'planes.

An R.A.F. spokesman said: "We didn't know of its arrival under six minutes before. We couldn't get the Mosquitos up in time to meet her. The pity about it all is the good old Dreamboat was doing too well as it was and spoiled the programme by being too early. We had hoped to escort the proud Dreamboat but the circumstances were against us."—Associated Press.

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Anglo-French Pact Rumours

Paris, Oct. 5.

In the British delegation quarters here, it was stated tonight that nothing is known of any current negotiations for an early conclusion of an Anglo-French pact.

Reports had been current that French Government officials were working overtime to secure a 25-year mutual assistance pact with Britain if possible before the end of the Paris Conference and in any case before the French elections on Nov. 10.

Reuter adds: "Anglo-French talks with a view to preparing the ground for an Anglo-French alliance were initiated last spring."

On April 9, it was officially announced that the French Cabinet had agreed to the continuation of the talks and to extend them to all questions now pending between the two Governments, so as to prepare the way for the conclusion of a treaty of alliance, corresponding to the wishes of the two great countries.

The French Cabinet, it was then understood, discussed at length whether the alliance should be concluded before or after their agreement about Germany.

In the House of Commons on May 22, Mr. Ernest Bevin said that he had nothing to add to his statement that the British Government was desirous of making an alliance with the French Government on the same lines as that with the Soviet Government. "But it must be an alliance based on friendship and not made conditional on anything else," he added.

Mr. Winston Churchill, in his speech at Metz on July 14, called on Britain and France to unite in leading Europe.—Reuter.

"WAR" IN GREECE

Athens, Oct. 6.

Nearly a score of persons were killed and 50 to 100 wounded the last three days in fighting between police, military and civilians on the one hand and Leftist bands on the other hand in Northern and Central Greece.

With violence increasing, the Government disclosed it was considering arming civilians.—Associated Press.

Death Of Swedish Premier

Stockholm, Oct. 6.

Per Albin Hansson, 61, Swedish Prime Minister, died suddenly today on a suburban street a few hours after he had participated in a Cabinet meeting which approved the newly-signed Swedish-Russian trade agreement.

He died walking to his home after the meeting ended. The cause of his death is believed to have been a heart ailment or cerebral haemorrhage.

Hansson had been Prime Minister since 1932 and President of the Swedish Social Democratic Party since 1924. He was born in 1885 in southern Sweden, the son of a stone mason, and spent his early manhood as a newspaperman.

He entered politics, displaying strong Socialist beliefs and became a member of the Swedish Parliament in 1918. He since has held many important Government offices.—Associated Press.

Knights Of Columbus Protest

Boston, Oct. 6.

John Swift, Supreme Knight in the Knights of Columbus, discloses that he has asked the United States State Department to protest to the Yugoslav Government that "its murderous campaign against the Catholic priesthood and its prejudged trial of Archbishop Stepinac... deliberately imperils world peace."

In Zagreb, a long line of prosecution witnesses testified that Catholic priests, armed with pistols, went out to convert Serbs after which the latter were put into concentration camps and killed.—Associated Press.

ATOM CONTROL COMPROMISE

Lake Success, N.Y. Oct. 6.

The new Mexican compromise prosposal for securing world atomic control plan comes before the Scientific and Technical committee of the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission behind closed doors tomorrow.

The plan was referred to the scientists by the Political committee to find whether it is possible to secure international control of the separation plants and leave secondary atomic materials available to individual nations for peace purposes.—Reuter.

WIVES' DESPERATE PLIGHT

Married Chinese Seamen, Now Unable To Get Home; Destitute In Singapore

Petition To Home Secretary

(By Henry Naylor)

Liverpool, Oct. 6.

The desperate plight of the wives and children of Chinese merchant seamen who have been either repatriated to China or paid off at Singapore, and now find themselves unable to get back to England, is to be the subject of a petition to the Home Secretary asking:

1. That a scheme be formulated for the return to England of these Chinese allies so that they can rejoin their families and that facilities, at least equal to those given to members of the Polish Forces, be offered for training and rehabilitation.

2. That arrangements be made for the maintenance of the families of the seamen, favourable with those offered to the Italian brides of Polish soldiers now being brought into this country.

Many of these Chinese seamen who have been turned adrift in Singapore have had to make their own way back to their homes in China, in numerous instances many hundreds of miles distant, and thinking all was well with their families in England have written for assistance. This could not possibly be forthcoming owing to the straitened circumstances their wives now find themselves in.

Extreme Hardship

The campaign, which seems to be most vigorous in Liverpool, is organised by the Destitute Chinese Families Defence Association and has brought to light many cases of extreme hardship. At one recent meeting, the chairman (Mrs. Glwen White) quoted the text of a letter which had been received by a Liverpool woman from her husband who is destitute in Singapore. An extract from the letter states: "Please said £10 for food. I am nearly starving. Try to help as soon as possible." This women, Mrs. N. G. Lay, is the mother of seven children whose ages range from 18 years to 16 months. She said it was absolutely impossible for her to help as she is in receipt of relief, and has to find £1 per week rent out of a total of £2. 8.

One of the young wives, Mrs. Marion Lee, said: "My husband was repatriated two months ago, and I have had to sell the best part of my home to keep myself and two children. I have to get what money I can by letting unfurnished rooms. My rent is 25/- a week." Mrs. Lee added that she did not desire to re-apply for Public Assistance, owing to alleged indignities she had suffered when making her original application.

Can't Carry On

A similar story was told in an interview with Emily Wong, whose husband was repatriated six months ago. "I have four children," she said. "The youngest is six months old and the oldest four years. I have been forced to go on the public assistance from which I draw £2. 5.- weekly, and I find it almost impossible to carry on."

A deputation is to wait upon the Liverpool City Council at their next meeting in an attempt to gain some official recognition of the situation.—Reuter.

Cairo Transport Strike

Cairo, Oct. 6.

Cairo was without trams and buses today following yesterday's "lightning" strike of the city's transport workers.

The workers state they will not return to work until they receive orders from their leaders and until the police release a number of transport employees who were arrested yesterday while demonstrating outside a Government building.

The transport workers have been demanding for some time shorter hours, higher wages and paid holidays. The Egyptian Government has issued a statement claiming that a "hidden hand" is behind the strike.

It appeals to the workers to resume work and threatens them with legal proceedings if they do not comply.—Reuter.

PARATROOP VERDICT ASSAILED

London, Oct. 6.

The British Sunday press today continued the campaign that has been going on in many quarters for the reduction of the sentences passed on the "mutineers" of the 13th Parachute battalion of the Sixth Airborne Division in Malaya.

Devoting its entire leading article to what it described as the "bad business" Lord Beaverbrook's "Sunday Express" condemned the sentences passed and sums up: "Someone in the background was responsible for the terrible hardships which drove these men to make their protest. Who was he? What is being done to him?

"Is it not time that courts-martial ceased to be only the courts from whose verdict a convicted man has no appeal? A soldier ought to have the right—as every civilian has—to take his case to the Appeal Court of the land. It is time the Service ministries ceased to be ignorant about the ordinary law of the land."

"Not Mutiny"

Saying that when Parliament meets next Tuesday the new War Minister, Captain J. F. Bellenger, will be at once faced with a demand for reconstruction and revision of the sentences, the "Sunday Express" declares: "Whatever the war machine in its rigidity may call a crime a good many people do not regard their action (the paratroopers) as mutiny in the sense in which mutiny is ordinarily understood. It was passive resistance rather than active revolt. Most of them, being from civilian life, called it a strike. The Army, which puts all disobedience on the same level, insists it was mutiny."

The newspaper hopes that Captain Bellenger, "who has hitherto been a doughty fighter for the fighting man," will see that humane justice is done swiftly.

"Observer"

Sentences in the Singapore "mutiny" trial should be suspended and the entire proceedings reviewed, comments the "Sunday Observer" today.

"In every large activity of the state there is an attempt to cover up inefficiency in the organisation by the persecution of the individual who revolts against it," the paper says. "It is particularly strong in the Army where the individual has fewer rights than in civil life. Few will read the accounts of the trial without feeling that something like that happened out there."—Reuter.

Passed The U-235 Test

Washington, Oct. 6.

There was a time back in 1942 when intelligence men guarding the secret of the atomic bomb thought that the secret had slipped out.

Dr. Henry Wensel, now chief of the scientific branch of the U.S. War Department General Staff, told about it at a meeting of the men who kept the secrecy-veil around the Manhattan project.

Then on the atomic bomb technical staff, Dr. Wensel received a letter from a man who said that he had just passed the U-235 test and wanted a job. Wensel was [illegible] Uranium 235 was [illegible] material from which the bomb was developed. He quickly telephoned the Civil Service to learn about the examination.

He breathed easier when he was advised that U-235 meant "unassembled Civil Service test 235."—Associated Press.

SWEDISH LOAN TO RUSSIA

Stockholm, Oct. 6.

It is officially announced that the proposed Swedish-Russian trade agreement has been completed in Moscow.

The terms, as described in Washington last August, called for a Swedish loan to Russia of $200,000,000 and the exchange of raw materials and manufactured articles.

The United States protested that the agreement, being bilateral, conflicted with the United Nations plan for expanded multilateral commerce. The protest was rejected by Moscow and Stockholm.—Associated Press.

EAST AFRICA GARRISON

Nairobi, Oct. 6.

The future British garrison of East Africa is likely to be about 8,000 African infantry under War Office control instead of under the Colonial Office as hitherto, Lieut.-General Sir Kenneth Anderson, Commander-in-Chief East Africa, said today. They will be officered by British regulars seconded for several years, he said.—Reuter.

GUN DUEL WITH LOLOS

Chungking, Oct. 6.

The dazed and stunned passengers and the American pilot of a CNAC transport plane which crashed in the wilds of Lolo-land 15 days ago are engaged in a gun battle with the savage Lolos, according to meager reports reaching Chungking.

The American-manned rescue plane, flying over the trackless Lolo area yesterday seeking to determine the fate of Andrew Lungbotham and his 31 Chinese passengers and crewmen, was hit in the tail by small-arms fire from the ground as it circled low.

The plight of the CNAC plane underscored the current efforts of the American Graves Registration team to ascertain the truth or falsity of the reports that five or more B-29 airmen have been held as slaves of the barbaric Lolos for two years or so.—Associated Press.

What The Arab Thinks About Palestine

(By Carter Davidson)

Jerusalem, Oct. 6.

The Arab, political stepchild of the Middle East, is striving simultaneously to win independence from Britain and to check Jewish colonization. Be he Bedouin or banker, the Palestine Arab claims this land as his historic birthright and claims independence as his promised reward for helping unseat the Ottoman Empire in World War I.

He opposes Zionism on the ground it is the first obstacle in the way of the realization of either claim. He contends that a Jewish state in Palestine would lead to Jewish expansion through the Holy Land and neighbouring Arab states, crowding out the Arabs.

When the Jews, lacking immigration certificates, landed at Haifa harbour, many Arabs talked of bloodshed and violence.

When President Truman speaks of sending 100,000 persecuted Jews from Europe to Palestine, the Arab speaks of "American interference" and glances significantly at oil concessions and air rights of other American interests.

But no Arab will admit these things are based on any hostility to the Jewish race.

"Give us our independence", say many Arab leaders "and we will welcome those already here."

In The Majority

The Arab is in the majority in Palestine but his case has largely been taken out of his hands by the seven Middle-East states of the Arab League—Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Lebanon, Iraq, Transjordan and Yemen.

In the early part of June the League took a firm rein on Palestine's Arabic affairs, even to selecting an Arab Executive Committee.

The Arab League contends that Palestine is legally Arab and that Palestine should progress from a mandate to an independent Arab state either by negotiations directly with Britain or through the United Nations Organization trusteeship.

The League opposes further Jewish immigration on the ground that continued immigration eventually would convert the Arab majority into a minority. As for the Jews now in Palestine, the League contends they would be absorbed into the Arab state with full citizenship rights.

International Problem

The question of displaced persecuted Jews in Europe should be treated as an international problem, the League holds, adding that all nations share in offering them homes.

One of the main weapons still in the hands of the Palestine Arabs is a boycott of Jewish goods. Right now that weapon is being wielded energetically.

The Arab of Palestine, faced by Jewish westernization and by the political progression of his Arabic neighbours, asks only for time to become modern—and for an independent state in which to do it.—Associated Press.

JEWS APPLAUD TRUMAN

Jerusalem, Oct. 6.

The Jewish Agency welcomes President Truman's statement of last Friday calling for substantial and immediate immigration into Palestine, an official spokesman of the Agency said today.

The Jewish Agency welcomed President Truman's statement as being "consistent with the official policy of the United States since 1922, as an expression of American national policy and not of party policy and as a step to put Palestine's problem back into the forefront of public notice", the spokesman added.

The Agency did not regard the statement as electioneering propaganda, he said.

"Realistically"

"The unanimity with which the announcement has been decried in the British press is an indication of British unreadiness and unwillingness to come to grips with the Palestine problem realistically and to contemplate a final solution," the spokesman said.

A Bagdad dispatch said Arab circles there regard President Truman's statement as the most dangerous attitude to the Arab cause and likely to cause trouble and bloodshed.—Reuter.

New Device To Save Lives

San Diego, Cal., Oct. 6.

The developement of a new life-saving device permitting listeners on the California coast to hear tiny depth charges exploded by survivors of plane or ship accidents 2,000 miles at sea is announced by the U.S. Navy Electronics Laboratory here.

The device will be in operation in the Eastern Pacific next year. Only four stations will be needed to cover the area lying between the West Coast of the United States and the Hawaiian Islands. Two will be in California and two in the islands.

It developed out of a wartime discovery that comparatively small sounds are transmitted huge distances by a layer of water about two-thirds of a mile beneath the surface.—Associated Press.

Judge Was Not Amused

Singapore, Oct. 6.

A Singapore Chinese who went to prison to serve his brother's sentence is still in jail, but this time on his own account.

The trick has earned him a six months sentence, while the brother whose place he took has begun serving his original sentence of three months, to which has been added another four months. His bail of S$8,000 has also been estreated.

Charged with hoarding rice, Ong Siew-siang was sentenced to three months' imprisonment and a fine of $500. On giving notice of appeal he was released on bail, later he withdrew his appeal and his elder brother, Ong Ah-hong, surrendered to the court to serve the prison sentence.

The substitution was not discovered for six weeks.—Reuter.

WITHDRAW

Peiping, Oct. 6.

The "Shih Chieh Jih Pao" said today that the Changchun railway authorities had ordered Soviet staff members to withdraw before Monday and they are preparing to comply.

The 1945 Sino-Russian treaty provides that the railway jointly be operated by China and Russia.—Associated Press.

THE WEATHER

A moderate anti-cyclone covers China and the northern part of the China Sea. Another is moving slowly eastwards across Japan. Pressure is relatively low over Korea and a trough of low pressure lies to the south of the Carolines.

Today's forecast:—Moderate or fresh NE winds, partly cloudy with some slight rain or drizzle locally.

Yesterday's temperature:—
Maximum—82.7 deg.
Minimum—75.3 deg.
Sunshine—[illegible] hours.
Rainfall—Nil.
Max. Rel. Humidity—87%.

TRADE MISSION ARRIVES

The Lancastrian transport plane from Singapore bringing eight members of the British Trade Mission to China arrived at Kai Tak at 5.30 p.m. yesterday.

The party besides Sir Leslie Boyce, chairman, consists of Messrs. F. A. Bristow, D. Maxwell Buist, A.H. Carmichael, R. Heyworth, H. D. Morgan, E. K. Scott and G.B. Blaker (Secretary).

At the airfield to meet the mission were the Hon. Mr. R.R. Todd, Act. Colonial Secretary, Lieut. Parkinson R.N.V.R. representing H.E. The Governor; the Hon. Mr. G. D. Gillespie, representing the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce; Mr. W. M. Thomson, Director of the S.T.I. Department; Mr. S.A. Gray, Government PRO; Mr. Leung Kang-yiu representing Mr. T. W. Kwok, Chinese Special Commissioner of Foreign Affairs; and Mr. Tse Ziang-pei, Director of the Foreign Trade Office of the National Resources Commission, South China Branch.

The other member of the mission, Mr. F. S. Winterbottom and the two lady-secretaries, Mrs. Elizabeth K. Lowndes and Miss Isabella Morrison, landed in Canton in the York plane and were brought to Hong Kong by a RAF Dakota.

The mission will remain in the Colony till Tuesday morning, when it will proceed by plane to Shanghai.

Sir Leslie Boyce will meet members of the Press at 10 a.m. this morning at the PRO's office.

UNO Still Homeless

Lake Success, Oct. 6.

The choice of a permanent home for the United Nations looms as one of the major issues to confront the 51-nation General Assembly when it convenes on October 23.

Behind the scenes, moves are already under way to get the headquarters out of the New York City area, where some of the countries have found the conditions unsatisfactory.

San Francisco, which lost out to New York by a vote of 17 at the London United Nations meeting, appeared the strongest contender. Geneva, apparently supported by Russia, is another possibility.—Associated Press.

U.S. Army To Be Airborne?

Washington, Oct. 6.

A definite start towards making the entire United States Army capable of movement by air is reported by Brigadier General William Miley, commander of the Army's airborne school.

He says:—"Ordnance equipment is being redesigned to fit aircraft loading requirements and giant air transports are being designed to conform more closely with ordnance specifications."

The big brother of the C-47 transport would a 25-ton pack load. Another plane with a 50-ton capacity would succeed the C-54, he said.—Associated Press.

Peiping Food Prices Soar

Peiping, Oct. 6.

Food prices in Peiping have jumped 50 per cent since August 1, public officials report.

The cost of clothing and fuel has increased 50 per cent in the same period.

The price of a sack of flour rose by CN$12,000 between October 1 and October 3, bringing the cost up to CN$43,000.

Flour merchants, however, refused to sell, saying that they had none.—Associated Press.

APPOINTED

Tokyo, Oct. 6.

Lt. Col. N. D. J. Read-Collins of Greenford, London, has been named chief of the British minor war crimes division of the legal section.

He relieves Lt. Col. R. I. M. Henderson.

Read-Collins is a former commander of the fourth war crimes team at Sumatra, the 44th Indian Airborne division [illegible] training

Chinese Communists At Very Gates Of Paoting

(By Tom Masterson)

Peiping, Oct. 6.

Resurgent Communists drove the Government garrison inside the walls of Paoting, the Chinese press claimed today, but the Communist offensive against 90 miles of the Peiping-Hankow railroad has slackened, with the Government recapturing Hantan Station.

Earlier, as the Communists closed on Paoting, General Chiang Kai-shek's chief of staff, Gen. Chen Cheng, flew here with a large staff direct from the battle.

He was called to two extraordinary conferences with Chiang.

Military leaders in North China and Manchuria are presumably here to chart Government offensives against Kalgan.

Red troops—numbering 13,000 have tightly encircled Paoting, said the newspaper "Social Welfare," which claimed Government officers had joined civilians in digging trenches and erecting barriers.

Government reinforcements have been pushed southward from Chihsien northward from Chichchiachuang.

There was speculation here whether the Paoting attack disrupting the vital Peiping-Hankow railroad had disrupted the Government schedule for the capture of Kalgan.—Associated Press.

Gains Held

Peiping, Oct. 6.

The Communists stormed the outskirts of Paoting, capital of Hopei province, stopped cold the Nationalist push against the key Communist city of Kalgan, and launched an offensive in Liaoning province, Manchuria, pro-Government reports acknowledged later.

As the civil war suddenly swung in favour of the Red forces, the Government's top ranking military leaders quickly gathered in Peiping for an extraordinary conference.

The Eighth Route Army forces attacking Paoting penetrated to within nearly two miles of the city's walls at several points. The Reds captured Fang Shun-chiao, 15 miles southwest of Paoting, and attacked Yu Chia-chuang, 20 miles to the southwest.

The Communists held on to almost all their gains in the initial assault of September 30 along a 90-mile stretch of the northern section of the Peiping-Hankow railroad.

The Government report that the famed one-eyed Communist commander, Liu Po-cheng, was mortally wounded while directing the operations of his troops, could not be confirmed here.—Associated Press.

Buried By Avalanche

Stephenville, Oct. 6.

The charred remanants of the American Overseas airliner and the 39 persons who died on Thursday when it crashed against the mountain side were buried on Saturday night under an avalanche of rock touched off by 300 lb. of dynamite.

Ground crews blasted the stone base of the 1,200-foot peak, obliterating the ugly scar burned there by the exploding plane and the fire that followed.

Little remained of the giant four-engined transport after it had rammed the rock wall, exploded and burned in a fire fed by 900 gallons of high octane petrol. Two bodies were thrown clear of the infero. The others were cremated.

Officials of the airline, of the Newfoundland Government, the U.S. Army's Air Transport Command and the Civil Aeronautics Board concluded their informal enquiry without issuing an announcement on the cause of the disaster. The formal hearing will begin in New York on Friday.—Associated Press.

UNO Charter "Deficient"

London, Oct. 6.

The United Nations charter is merely a human document and consequently is deficient, said Cardinal Griffin, the Archbishop of Westminster and the spiritual head of the Roman Catholics in England, in his sermon at Westminster Cathedral today.

"We must acknowledge this fact and seek to explain the amendments", he said. "There are many nations at present excluded from the organisation whose presence should and could contribute in no small measure towards its success.

"What have we had? A meeting of the nations which have been anything but united."—Reuter.

London, Oct. 6.

Prince Nakkhatra, the Siamese Ambassador here who flew to Britain two months ago to take up his appointment has been joined by his wife. The Princess brought their son, Andula, and their daughters Sirmiti and Bushba. Their eldest son is already here. The Princess brought a small supply of rice—which is unobtainable here—to offer Legation guests.—Reuter.

P.W.'s CLAIMS

Washington, Oct. 6.

Veterans of the Foreign Wars proposed today that the enemy assets held by the alien property custodian be earmarked to pay damage claims by wartime prisoners of the Japanese and Germans or Italians.

Under the bill which the V.F.W. announced it will back before Congress, a three-man prisoners of war mixed claims commission would pass on the claims, and cash awards could be made to any United States prisoner mistreated while in enemy hands.—Associated Press.

U.S. Adding To Its Merchant Fleet

Washington, Oct. 6.

Paced by the "America," the nation's largest luxury liner, a score of passenger-cargo vessels will be added to the U.S. merchant fleet within the next few months, the Maritime Commission announced.

The "America" is in the last stages of reconversion from a war-time troopship and is scheduled to make her maiden postwar voyage to Europe on October 17.

On the West Coast, the "President Monroe" is also in the final stages of reconditioning and is expected to be ready for the Pacific service within a fortnight.

Another early comer to trade will be the combination passenger-cargo ship "Delnorte," expected to be delivered to the Mississippi Shipping Company on October 31. Her two sister ships, "Delsur" and "Delmar," will be completed in November and December. Each will accommodate 150 passengers.

Three ships—"Alcoa Cavalier," "Alcoa Clipper" and "Alcoa Corsair"—now on the ways, are scheduled for delivery to the Alcoa Steamship Company in December and January. Each will carry 100 passengers.

The two Grace liners "Santa Rosa" and "Santa Paula" are expected to be reconverted and ready for service late this year or early next year. In addition, the Grace Line has the "Santa Luisa," which started her maiden voyage several days ago, and the "Santa Isabel," scheduled for delivery next week.

South America

For the South American trade, [illegible] "Uruguay" and the "Brazil," are expected to be ready for service by March 1947. The "Argentina" probably will return to service later.

Two Maritime Commission design liners, the "President Cleveland" and the "President Wilson," are now on the ways in California and are due to be completed in April and July.

In operation, though scheduled for reconversion, are the "Monterey and Matsonia," of the Matson Navigation Company. The "Mariposa" is undergoing reconversion.

Two United Fruit liners are nearing the end of their reconversion and are due out in December. Two others probably will not be ready until February and March.—Associated Press.

DIVORCE COURT RECORD

London, Oct. 6.

Mr. Justice Jones, sitting in the Divorce Court made legal history when he pronounced absolute 2316 decrees nisi in three minutes, under the new rule making decrees nisi returnable in six weeks.

Total number of decrees absolute for the year is now 16,000—almost equal to the total for the whole of 1945.

Sidky Pasha's Visit To England

Cairo, Oct. 6.

Ismail Sidky Pasha, Prime Minister of Egypt, hopes to leave about October 27 for his proposed discussions in London with Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, on the revision of the Anglo-Egyptian treaty.

He may be accompanied by Nokrashy Pasha, the leader of the Saadist party and Heikal Pasha, the leader of the Liberal party, but he is prepared to go alone in a personal capacity if they are unable to make the journey.

Sidky Pasha's position has been strengthened by the withdrawal of his resignation by Saba, the Minister of Commerce.

The Government has taken security measures to ensure a calm atmosphere during the coming critical stages of the interrupted treaty negotiations with Great Britain.

Police leave has been cancelled and extra police have been brought on duty.

A Cairo and Alexandria universities — including Al Azhar, the leading Moslem university at Cairo — which were due to begin their term yesterday, have been granted a holiday.—Reuter.

"DEMENTIA AMERICANA"

Los Angeles, Oct. 6.

Convicted of murdering his wife and believed to have buried her alive, wealthy nurseryman Frederick Hills, 42, pleaded not guilty due to "Dementia Americana."

"Dementia Americana" was described in court as "a mental disorder peculiar to Americans involving temporary loss of control of the mental functions."

Hills confessed that he strangled his wife on December 7 during a quarrel and buried her in a squash patch in the backyard of their home.

Her body was exhumed on June 21 and Judge Walter Gates said that evidence indicated that she was still alive when Hills threw her in the crude grave he had dug.

The judge added that "other persons" seemed to have known something about the killing.

Hills owns more than £30,000 worth of property.

The quarrel was whether their son should buy a motor car.

The Hills had three children.

Hills will be retried on the insanity plea before sentence is passed.

CORRESPONDENCE

Housing

Sir,—The letter by a correspondent in your columns the other day regarding wastage of water at East Point Godowns serves to bring to mind the fact that much valuable space is also being wasted at these Godowns.

As the premises are not being used for storage purposes and have apparently been designed to accommodate human beings, it is surprising that the Military Authorities have not seen fit to utilize them for the accommodation of Officers now occupying much needed premises in residential areas.

The godowns would prove to be an ideal place for Officers—there are all modern conveniences, spacious grounds and plenty of fresh air. If the Military Authorities are not prepared to direct that Officers should use these premises, it is suggested that Government might take up the question of turning the unoccupied portions of these spacious godowns into a school, so that countless numbers of Hong Kong's school-less children may have a break.

COMMONSENSE.

Relief Ship Allowed To Load

Seattle, Oct. 6.

A ban on loading the relief ship "Cordova" with supplies for freeze-threatened Nome, Alaska, was lifted by striking Seattle unions of the Congress of Industrial Organizations Committee for Maritime Unity.

Alaska Steamship Company officials said that the vessel is scheduled to sail for the far northern port, which will soon be cut off by freezing of the Bering Sea.

A Union spokesman said that the CMU was critical of the type of cargo consigned to the "Cordova," but decided to clear the ship "on the chance that what little food and clothing there is aboard will help the people of Nome."

It claimed that most of the cargo consisted non-relief items such as beer, leadpipe, hardware and furniture.

Meanwhile, a dispatch from Sitka, Alaska, reported that the food situation there soon will become critical due to the maritime strike.—Associated Press.

Manila Hotel Shoot-Up

Manila, Oct. 6.

Mr. Prescott, former member of Chennault's "Flying Tigers" in China was killed by a stray bullet and two Filipinos were wounded as a gunfight raged in the lobby of the fashionable Manila Hotel.

Prescott was sitting in the lobby chatting when a jeep drew up in front of the hotel and two men began firing at Luis Obispo, special counter-intelligence agent of the United States Army, who was inside the hotel. Obispo was wounded.

A fusillade of 45 bullets cleared the lobby, which was crowded with the smart set gathering for weekend parties. Screaming guests sought cover. A hotel policeman was slightly wounded.

Prescott was killed instantly by a bullet which entered the bridge of his nose. He arrived yesterday from Shanghai and reportedly was in Manila to purchase surplus planes for the Flying Tigers' airlines, operated from San Francisco by his brother, Bob Prescott.—Associated Press.

"TIGER FORCE"

Singapore, Oct. 6.

Large supplies of medical supplies, which were originally intended for "Tiger Force," the R.A.F. unit which was on its way to Okinawa when Japan surrendered, are now being supplied to civil hospitals throughout Malaya by special permission of the Air Ministry.

The supplies were stored at the R.A.F. hospital, Singapore.—Reuter.

"Secrets" Of The Queen Elizabeth

London, Oct. 4.

Although the Queen Elizabeth, the world's largest ship, was launched in 1938, her dimensions and other details have only just been released.

She has a gross tonnage of 85,000, length 1030 ft., beam 118 ft., 14 decks, a depth of 120 ft. to the top of the lounge structure, and will carry 2300 passengers and 1200 crew.

Most striking difference between the Queen Mary (81,235 tons) and Queen Elizabeth is that the Elizabeth has two funnels in which all guys, stays, steam pipes and other rigging are concealed in the funnel casings.

Another feature is that a third anchor is installed in the centre of the bow.

Construction of the Queen Elizabeth involved forging of the largest castings required for a liner.

These include shaft brackets (outer propellers) 180 tons, shaft brackets (inner propellers) 120 tons, rudder and stock 120 tons, stern frame 190 tons, and stem casing 60 tons.

30,000 Lights

Altogether the Queen Elizabeth has four propellers each weighing 32 tons, and they are driven by an independent set of machinery comprising a large gear wheel operated by four turbines.

Each gear wheel is 14ft. in diameter, and weigh in the aggregate 320 tons.

Electrical energy sufficient for 200,000 people will be generated on board and 4000 miles of cable will distribute the energy through the ship, and provide current for the 30,000 lights.

There is a gymnasium, squash racquets court, swimming pool, Turkish and electrical ray baths for first-class passengers; a gymnasium and swimming pool for cabin class travellers; a gymnasium for those in tourist section.

Not Sister Ships

There is a vast sports deck for all classes and the terraced decks aft are also available as playing areas.

Externally and in interior design there is no resemblance between the two "Queens", and they are not sister ships.

After being commissioned, the Queen Elizabeth made a dramatic voyage across the Atlantic to New York early in the war, but virtually without any interior fittings, was converted to a troopship.

Now an army of workers at Southampton is reconditioning the ship for her first voyage as a commercial vessel.

The Queen Elizabeth will sail from Southampton on October 16, and from New York nine days later.

Iceland Ratifies Agreement

Reykjavik, Oct. 6.

The Icelandic Parliament, by a vote of 23 to 19, has ratified an agreement with the United States for American use of Keflavik airport.

The agreement calls for all United States military personnel to leave Iceland within six months, but will permit civilian personnel to remain at the air port and allow United States military planes to use the field as well as civilian aircraft of all nations having air agreements with Iceland.

Following a bitter debate spearheaded by the 10 Communist members who opposed the agreement, a roll-call vote was taken. All 20 Conservative members, including Premier Olafur Thors, six Social Democrats and six Progressives voted for the ratification. 10 Communists, two Social Democrats and seven Progressives opposed it.

The Parliament rejected all additional proposed amendments to the agreement, including a Communist demand that a national referendum be held on the ratification.

It is considered likely that the Communists would carry out their threat to leave the Cabinet if the agreement were ratified.—Associated Press.

Radio-Paging Very Soon

New York, Oct. 6.

Subscribers to a radio paging service will soon be able to receive messages by carrying a receiver the size of a packet of cigarettes.

They will be able to receive telephone messages even after they have left home to attend a theatre or a football match.

The Federal Communications Commission will erect a high-frequency transmitter over which calls to subscribers will be broadcast.

Subscribers will be allotted a code number.

They will carry a tiny radio receiver to which they can listen occasionally lest a message be broadcast.

The commission will broadcast continually a list of code numbers of people required.

The subscriber, when he hears his code number announced, will go to the nearest telephone and receive the message.

The commission will then drop the subscriber's code number from the list being announced.

Delivery services will be able to keep in touch with employees making deliveries.

Mothers will be able to accompany their children to playgrounds, knowing they will not miss telephone calls.

The commission expects to have the service operating within six months.

"DOUBLE TENTH"

In preparation for the Double Tenth celebrations, Chinese ceremonial arches are being erected at Nam Pak Hong, just beyond the Western Market, where Hong Kong's leading Chinese business firms are situated.

The beating of drums at different parts of the city yesterday also revealed that many of the "Dragons" which will play a prominent part in the celebrations were being put through their paces.

Parabola Into Pool

New York, Oct. 6.

A red-headed actress in a 100-dollar gown splashed in a moon-drenched pool while two male stalwarts blackened each other's eyes on the bank.

The moonlight bather was actress Martha Hodge, 33; star in the stage-play Claudia; the brawlers Richard Newton, retired British Army major, actor and Martha's escort and Joe Olney, stage manager.

The scene, Riley's Lake House, luxury night spot to which hundreds of the elite flock from hundreds of miles around.

The party had come along after the show.

The unrehearsed performance recorded by an eye witness was:

Scene 1—About 3 A.M.

Olney: Take that .... bang!

Newton: Take that .... bing!

Enter Dean Alfange, former candidate for Governor and his friend Murray Watts.

Alfange: Now gentlemen Bing! Bang!.

Alfange drops to one knee with an amazed look; Watts rushes to his aid: contestants surge on

Scene III—At The Fountain

Martha (eyes flashing): You idiots! Stop it! Stop it!

She backs away, measures them up then rushes with the intention of pushing them into the pool.

She misses, crashes into pool in a grateful parabola.

Contestants cease fighting, grab white table cloth and wrap it tenderly about her as she emerges.

WheatCrop Prospects

Washington, Oct. 6.

The world's wheat crop this year will be the biggest since 1940 the United States Department of Agriculture's Office of Foreign Agriculture Relations forecast today.

They stressed however, that with the world harvest of 5,900,000,000 bushels, the production will still be slightly below pre-war 1935 to 1939 averages and many countries' import needs are still high.

They also stressed that the most outstanding gain is in European crops, which are estimated to total 1,360,000,000 bushels—an increase of 330,000,000 bushels over the 1945 total.

The biggest increases are in the Mediterranean countries, France, Italy, Spain and the Balkans while the United Kingdom is the exception to Europe's general improvement.

A general improvement is also being reflected in better animal foodstuffs supplies, but this will not result in increased pig and animal slaughters until at least 1947.—Reuter.

Soviet Purge Continues

Moscow, Oct. 6.

The arrest and dismissal of collective farm officials in districts thousands of miles apart were announced here yesterday in a nation-wide campaign which began a fortnight ago to clean up irregularities of collective farm administration.

All the districts mentioned in the announcement were east of the Volga—in Kazakstan, Uzbekistan and the rich Altai farm district in Southern Siberia.

Six men were stated to be awaiting trial for theft of collective farm property and other crimes against the state and two were said to have been dismissed.

The men included the chairmen of district executive committees, managers of land departments, senior agriculturalists and head bookkeepers of collective farms.

The Kazakstan case was reported from the district of Alma-Ata, the "Soviet Hollywood" where all the main films studios of the U.S.S.R. are located.—Reuter.

Two Tits For A Tat?

New York, Oct. 6.

General Jacob Devers, Commanding General of the U.S. Army Ground Forces, declared that if a sudden blow were struck at the United States, "we would instantly reply to such an attack with two rockets for each rocket and two bombs for each bomb."

Any future war "may well start with a shot fired around the world", Devers said in a talk at a conference sponsored by the Citizens' Committee for the military training of young men.

"That shot might devastate New York, Detroit, Chicago or Pittsburgh—and it would not be a single shot. War would come upon us all over the United States and all over the world in a single moment".

He told the conference, however, not to be "deceived" by those who say that any future war will wholly be a pushbutton war".

"It may start with a push on a button, but it will end as all wars end, when the infantryman, with his two feet on the ground, thrusts his bayonet into the heart of our final remaining foe".—Associated Press.

No "New Models" Yet

London, Oct. 6.

Though the "back room boys" of Britain's motor industry are secretly working on new models which will stand comparison with the world's best, these won't make their debut until the London Motor Show of 1947.

British manufacturers were not represented at the first great international postwar motor show, which opened in Paris on October 3.

At this show, £1,000,000 worth of business was done by foreign agents, ordering French, Italian and American cars, said the "Daily Mail's" motoring correspondent.

"Unlike many of their competitors, British manufacturers were too busy turning out Service requirements during the war to develop peacetime models," the correspondent adds.

"At the end of the war, they faced the choice of holding up output until new models could be offered or resuming production of 1939 types.

"They chose the second course.

"Britain will go on supplying every corner of the globe, but will stay out of exhibitions until next year."

Dog-Gone Went To Gaol

Jersey City, N.J., Oct. 6.

A dog appeared in a Jersey City Court for engaging in the numbers racket.

Police trying to stop this popular form of illegal lottery became suspicious when they saw the dog running in and out of business establishments day after day. There was something unusual about his harness, too.

He was "arrested" and police found 187 numbers from customers in his harness. The dog had been trained by a lottery operator to collect numbers from clients.

Both the dog and his owner were charged. The owner got 90 days' jail. The dog was sentenced to 10 days' detention by the S.P.C.A. to be released at the end of that term on probation in custody of the owner's family.

RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles and from 12.30 to 1.30 p.m., 2.30 to 8.30 p.m., and 9.15 to 11.00 p.m. also on 9.52 megacycles.

H.K.T.

12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
12.32 p.m.—Vaughan Monroe and His Orchestra.
1.00 p.m.—News, Weather Report and announcements.
1.10 p.m.—"I've brought my Music."
1.30 p.m.—Jeanette MacDonald and Light Symphony Orchestra.
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.
6.30 p.m.—Service Music Box.
6.45 p.m.—Organ Interlude — Sidney Torch.
7.00 p.m.—Connie Boswell and Wayne King and His Orchestra.
7.30 p.m.—Studio: "I Like What I Like" by Tommy Rowell.
8.00 p.m.—London Relay: News.
8.15 p.m.—London Transcription Service: Tommy Handley Introduces "All Join In."
8.45 p.m.—Andre Kostelanetz and His Orchestra.
[illegible] p.m.—Something for Everybody—Music for all Tastes.
[illegible] p.m.—London Relay: News.
[illegible] p.m.—Primo Scala's Accordeon Band.
[illegible] p.m.—London Relay: A Talk [illegible] Parliament and How It Works.
[illegible] p.m.—Film Memories.
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

French Stand On Siam

Paris, Oct. 5.

The French Government tonight officially denied American reports of the intended submission of the Franco-Siamese dispute to international arbitration.

The statement declared: "In no case can France recognise the validity of the Tokyo treaty of 1941 and consequently there can be no arbitration until Siam herself repudiates this treaty and returns the territories annexed under its terms to Cambodia and Laos."

The negotiations to bring the frontier questions between France and Siam before the Hague Court of Justice were broken off last month after alleged Siamese frontier violations.

The Tokyo pact in 1941 gave Siam the province of Lanchang in Laos and the provinces of Battambang, Bassac and part of Siemreap in Cambodia.—Reuter.

Shanghai, Oct. 6.

About 25 cargo ships are tied up by a strike of stevedores here demanding 150 percent wage increases. The strike began Oct. 3.

POST OFFICE NOTICES

Outward Mails

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles and Parcel Posts close 30 minutes earlier than the time stated below:—

MONDAY, OCT. 7

Macao, Tsinshan and Shekki (Kwong Fook Cheung) 10 a.m.

Foochow (Hafon) 10 a.m.

Hoihow and Bangkok (Iris) Tsamkong (Kwongchowwan) (Tak On) 10 p.m.

Mascassar and Batavia (Foochow) noon.

Shanghai (Fengtien) noon.

Bangkok (Poyang) 2 p.m.

U.S.A., Central and South America and Canada via San Francisco (Non Pareil) Kowloon C.P.O., (Par.) 9 a.m., (Reg.) 9 a.m., (Ord.) 9.30 a.m.; G.P.O., (Par.) 9.30 a.m., (Reg.) 9.30 a.m., (Ord.) 10 a.m.

Airmail for Singapore, Colombo, Rangoon, Calcutta, Delhi, Johannesburg, Cairo, London, Sydney and Auckland (By Air) Kowloon C.P.O., (Reg.) 1 p.m., (Ord.) 1.30 p.m.; G.P.O., (Reg.) 1.30 p.m., (Ord.) 2 p.m.

Straits & Calcutta (Mausang) (Par.) 1.30 p.m., (Ord.) 2 p.m.

Amoy (Fukien) 3 p.m.

Airmail for Canton, Amoy Foochow and Shanghai (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.

Kongmoon (Fook Hoi) 4 p.m.

Canton (By Train) 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCT. 8

Manila P.I. (Hastings) 10 a.m.

Shanghai (Tjisadane) 10 a.m.

Straits (Eastern Trader) 10 a.m.

Macao, Tsinshan and Shekki (Kwongsai) 11 a.m.

Shanghai (Kutsang) noon.

Airmail for Bangkok, Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Basra, Cairo, Johannesburg, Augusta, Marseilles, London, New York and Canada (B.O.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 2.30 p.m., (Ord.) 3 p.m.

Airmail for Canton (C.A.T.C. Plane) (Reg.) 11.30 a.m., (Ord.) noon.

Airmail for Chungking and Kunming (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.

Canton (Fatshan) 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 9

Airmail for Canton and Shanghai (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 9.30 a.m., (Ord.) 10 a.m.

Bangkok (Hiram) 10 a.m.

Shanghai (Wing Sang) noon.

Saigon (Esang) noon.

Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via London (Glenaffaric) (Par.) 2.30 p.m., (Reg.) 2.30 p.m., (Ord.) 3 p.m.

BLIND GIRL ENTERS QUIZ CONTEST

Sydney, Oct. 6.

A 24-year-old blind girl was one of the 800 contestants in the first elimination trial in the Australian National Quiz championship, held in Sydney's Assembly Hall.

The girl Eva Cooper, of Bass Avenue, East Hills, typed her answers to the 20 quiz questions, holding her typewriter on her knees. She has been blind since the age of 17 months. One of her keenest interests in life is listening-in to quiz sessions on the air.

There were 1,300 applicants entered for the contest, many of them from country districts. Quiz officials said they imagined transport difficulties prevented some competitors from attending.

Men contestants outnumbered women by about three to one. The majority of the contestants were middle-aged and they came from every walk of life. No competitors under 18 were admitted.

There were numerous students, clerks, housewives, builders and labourers. Listed among the occupations which accompanied names of the contestants on the entry forms were: Artist, master mariner, glass-house tomato grower, freelance writer, chemist, actor, Malayan public servant.

Fortune-Hunting?

One male contestant give his occupation as "fortune-teller."

An elderly woman, who refused to give her name, said that her entry in the contest constituted her first visit to the city for more than a year.

She was a chronic invalid and had "just crawled into town" for the fun of competing, because one of her chief pleasures was following wireless quizzes.

Questions were read out by Mr. C.F. Lewis, Director of the Department of Commonwealth Loans.

30 Seconds

Thirty seconds were given in which to answer each question, by writing on a form provided.

The 20 questions given were chosen from 2,000 compiled by Dr. George Mackaness, of the Teachers' College, and Professor Boroinowsky.

A quick glance through the completed forms showed that a big majority of the contestants attempted more than 50 per cent. of the questions.

Here Is The Quiz

In order, the questions which contestants had to answer were:—

1. Charles L. Dodgson wrote a famous book about a little girl in a strange country. Can you give his nom-de-plume?
2. Most people know that Jack Dempsey was a world champion heavyweight. Whom did he have to knock out to earn the title?
3. What is the name of the unit used in measuring noise intensity?
4. A phial is a small glass bottle. What is a vial?
5. What famous cartoonist who first became known in Australia and is now in England creating the humorous character known as Colonel Blimp?
6. What part of the human body is the clavicle?
7. A mongoose is well-known in India as a killer of snakes. What is the plural of mongoose?
8. What is the name given the fine silken hair of the Angora goat?
9. How many times is the circumference of a circle greater than its diameter?
10. How many inches are there in a metre?
11. What King of England was born with teeth, had a misshapen body and was killed in battle?
12. What early Governor of Tasmania—afterwards lost his life when on a North Pole expedition?
13. Captain Cook, on his third voyage, was killed by natives of the Sandwich Islands. Can you give the name of the island?
14. What is the largest city in Canada?
15. What is the correct name for the noisy summer insect we often call the locust?
16. What is the name of the lady in Dickens' novel "Pickwick Papers" who sued Mr. Pickwick for breach of promise?
17. Can you name two great poets who were blind?
18. The greatest number of races ever won by an Australian racehorse is 57. What was the name of the horse?
19. What Australian woman achieved fame through association with the growing of apples?
20. What was the name of the Australian whose discoveries had an imporant effect on the development of aviation?

Quiz answers appear on page eight.

U.S. Car-Sales Racket

New York, Oct. 6.

A nation-wide racket in the sale of 1946 cars is bringing black-market operators between £300 and £700 a car.

The position has become so serious that the OPA plans to increase its shock troops in efforts to break up the market.

Local agents and private dealers, who, years ago, got on top of priority lists of every car manufacturer, are blamed for the blackmarket, which also extends to used cars.

As a blind, many cars are being sold in Pittsburgh for delivery in Florida, California, and on the Mexican border.

In Los Angeles some dealers require buyers to rent new cars for a few months at fantastic figures before being allowed to purchase it outright.

OPA is busy investigating one ring, said to be centred in Georgia, from where, it is alleged, the entire blackmarket is operated.

GLACE CHERRIES FROM SEAWEED

London, Oct. 6.

An English confectioner has devised a method of manufacuring glace cherries from seaweed.

The confectioner is Richard Peschardt, of Pinner (Middlesex).

Peschardt today told Ministry of Supply officials that if they would grant him sugar necessary to manufacture the cherries, he could produce them for 8d. a pound.

Real glace cherries cost 5/ a pound.

NINE CAESARIANS

Toledo (Ohio), Oct. 6.

Mrs. Walter Shriver, 35, wife of a bus-driver, has just given birth to her ninth child, which was two months premature.

All her children, the eldest of whom is 15, have been born by Caesarian operations.

They are normal and healthy.

Naked Truth At Last

New York, Oct. 6.

The secret of where nudists keep their matches is out.

The scoop was obtained this week by "New York Post" columnist Earl Wilson, who visited a nudist camp in the Jersey hills to get it.

Earl wasn't very happy for a while as he wandered a conspicuous, fully-clad figure among goose-pimpled frolickers.

Self-consciously he watched a mixed tennis doubles played by a quartette nude except for shoes and tennis caps.

He watched a nude woman doing setting-up exercises by a wooded stream as she smoked a cigarette. She wore only shoes. Still the query lurked in his mind, "Where do they keep their matches?" and the answer did not present itself.

Then he put it straight to nude Nudist Club treasurer Pat Kelly.

"Oh, they keep them in their shoes." Pat came back. "Gotta wear shoes, you know. There's a lot of poison ivy about." And Earl came home with the news.

A travelling trader, out walking with a friend, was held up in Connaught Road Central by four men, two with revolvers, at 9.30 o'clock last night. The robbers stole two watches, a gold ring and $55 in cash.

Truman Will Have To Break Peace

London, Oct. 5.

An Arab statesman declared yesterday that President Truman would have to "break the peace" to enforce his call for "immediate and substantial" Jewish immigration into Palestine.

Faris Bey el Khouri, President of the Syrian Chamber of Deputies, at the same time told reporters that Britain had promised that there would be no new immigration into the Holy Land while the Palestine talks remained adjourned—or until Dec. 15.

Faris Bey said all Arabs would oppose "with all the means at their disposal" Truman's call for immediate and substantial immigration.

"The only way Truman could get the Arabs to accept this proposal would be for him to send half a million American troops to force the issue. I am confident the President is not thinking of doing that," Faris Bey said.

Dr. Hussein Khalidi, secretary of the Arab Higher Committee, said that "by his repeated declarations and statements, Mr. Truman is not helping to solve what has become known as the Palestine impasse."

"The two Americas," he added, "are not only in a position to solve the problem of Jewish refugees from Europe, but the whole displaced persons problem as well and to the advantage of their huge, under-powered areas.

"Such an act of mercy will give Mr. Truman and the Americans the gratitude of the world, including the Jews themselves," he added.—Associated Press.

Babies Bartered For Coffee

London, Oct. 4.

German foster-parents are bartering babies for as little as a pound of coffee, says Reuter's correspondent at Herford.

"The babies are those which the Nazis kidnapped from overrun European countries.

A welfare worker at UNRRA's child sanctuary at Auermuchle, in north Germany, said that many German foster-mothers had grown weary of Nazi-imposed responsibility. She added that the majority of adopted children were in a low state of health. After being nursed back to health they would be repatriated.

"British authorities in Germany are planning to temper the first flush of romance for young soldiers," says the "Daily Mail" correspondent in Berlin. "They are discussing a suggestion to enforce a six-months engagement if a soldier wants to marry a fraulein, and to send him on home leave to discuss the romance with his parents during the engagement.

"The scheme aims to protect young soldiers who possibly need more guidance than the battle veterans they replace."

KOREAN RIOTS

Seoul, Oct. 6.

The Korean National police announced 59 policemen were killed, 60 wounded and 100 are missing in four days of widespread rioting in Southern Korea.

The disorders are slowly being put down. The rioters evidently concealed most of their dead and wounded.

Korean sources said the rioters attacked the Korean police on the grounds they were representatives of the Americans.

Radio reports said the police station and post office at Yongchon was burned by a mob of 10,000. Hundreds of police guns and quantities of ammunition were seized by the rioters.—Associated Press.

FOSSIL JAW SIX MILLION YEARS OLD

London, Oct. 6.

The "Daily Herald" reports that Dr. L.S.B. Leakey, curator of the Coryndon Museum, Nairobi, Kenya, sails from Southampton today to make arrangements for a congress of over 70 scientists who will meet at Nairobi next January to discuss important finds throwing light on the history of early man.

Outstanding among Dr. Leakey's discoveries has been a 6,000,000-year-old fossilised jaw, to which he has given the name "Proconsul." Dr. Leakey says that this is "the most complete jaw of a fossil anthropoid ape yet discovered." This "almost human" ape is one of the most important "missing links" between apes and man to come to light.

Field work and research went on in Africa during the war. Dr. Leakey's wife discovered in 1942 bones and implements on a site of human culture 450,000 years old in a great rift valley—probably the earliest civilisation of all. Dr. Leakey says: "It is more and more evident that this was the African culture which spread to Europe and the East."

Till recently, it was believed that man originated and evolved in India, but the evidence to be considered at the Nairobi congress will probably alter this verdict—and perhaps enable the scientists to predict something of man's future development.—London Press Service.

STITCHED LETTER FOR STALIN

London, Oct. 5.

A letter stitched on white silk and signed by 800,000 residents of Russian-occupied Northern Korea has been brought to Moscow by a delegation of public and cultural organisations for presentation to Generalissimo Stalin, Moscow radio reported today.

The letter was one of a number of gifts handed over to the Russian All-Union Society for Foreign Relations, to be forwarded to Stalin at a dinner in honour of the Korean delegation.—Reuter.

Shanghai, Oct. 6.

Twelve were wounded by a hand grenade hurled into the jammed lobby of the Strand Theatre on Ningpo road. The purpose of the attack is unknown. The hurler escaped into the crowd.—Associated Press.

NOTICE

THE MEETING OF THE Y.M.C.A.

ARRANGED FOR WEDNESDAY 9th OCTOBER HAS BEEN POSTPONED TO FRIDAY 11th AT 6 p.m.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Australian Subscription Ponies 1947

The draw for the above will take place at 5.30 p.m. TO-DAY, 7th October, at the Paddock, the Race Course, Happy Valley.

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"JANE"

Jane has been captured by the crooks and taken to their secret hide-out...
GET UP THEM STAIRS!
THAT GAG'S NOT SO FUNNY NOW— WHEN YOU'RE GAGGED YOURSELF!
THAT'S RIGHT, SYD — LASH HER TO THE CHAIR!
O.K. BRAINS!—BUT WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?—WE CAN'T HOLD HER FOR KEEPS!

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

Useless ...

BY EDGAR MARTIN

WHAT'S COOKING, HONEY? YOU'RE TOO QUIET!
O-OOH—
I'M JUST THINKING ABOUT HOW MUCH THE TUTTS HAVE DONE FOR ME. NOW THEY'RE DOING JUST AS MUCH FOR PUG!
AND GETTING A BIG KICK OUT OF IT, IF I KNOW THEM!
GREAT FOLKS!
WONDERFUL! BUT DID YOU NOTICE THEM TONIGHT?
PARTICULARLY CORA. SHE SEEMED SO MUCH OLDER SOMEHOW!
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ALVES.—On September 22, 1946 at his residence, 3 Pacific Gardens, Shanghai, Nemesis Herculano Alves, aged 64 years, the dearly beloved husband of Josephine Alves, and father of Helen, Lucy and Iris.

GERMANY TODAY

"Don't let's be beastly to the Germans, when we've definitely got them on the run. Let's help the Dirty Swine again to occupy the Rhine again, but don't let's be beastly to the Hun!" One night during the war, Mr. Noel Coward broadcast this witty song, and next day such a storm of protest arose that he never again was allowed to sing it on B.B.C. Some of the protests came from those who realized the bitter satire behind Coward's words. These critics believed in the existence of "good Germans." They believed the war could be curtailed by stirring up "good Germans" to revolt against the Nazis. But for every letter along these lines, there were twenty from indignant English men and women who entirely missed the point of Coward's satire and who regarded this song as a form of appeasement. With bombs falling around them, with fathers, brothers and sons fighting overseas, they really did want to "be beastly to the Germans." Coward's satire definitely misfired for all except a small minority who realized that the English are only good haters when war is on and once war is over they always wish to forgive their enemies. Some months ago Noel Coward was singing at a supper party in aid of the R.A.F. benevolent fund and was persuaded to sing this song again. It was a sophisticated audience and he sang it with all his usual brilliance, but while the audience saw the point of satire, it was embarrassed. Times have changed. Everyone wants to make sure Germany never will make war again, but today no one except a few crackpots want "to be beastly." Another British humourist, Mr. Nathaniel Gubbins, who writes for the Sunday "Express," gave a similar warning to that implied in Coward's song. In his column he created a dragon, who conversed with George, typical Englishman. The dragon represented the defeated German people and kind-hearted George was shown taking pity on the poor defeated beast and denying himself his rations and his beer to improve the unhappy creature's lot. All England laughed at this, but again they missed the point. They laughed because at that time it seemed so grotesquely improbable that the English would ever cut their rations in order to help beaten Germany. Yet that is what we lived to see only three or four years later. Hatred is a product of fear and when we feared the Germans, we hated them. Today no one can fear them, so that few can hate them. It is strange how quickly moods change. For the first few months after V-E Day, advocates of a hard peace with Germany were as numerous in Britain as in all other countries. Today they are few because a hard peace has happened of its own accord and there no longer is any need to organize it. The late Lord Birkenhead, fond of quoting Latin, often said, "Parcere subjectis et debellare superbes," which he translated, "Spare the conquered and defeat the proud." That can be the only intelligent Christian attitude for any nation that aspires to greatness. No less is it inevitable that in the immediate hour of victory it is the most strident and vulgar voices and opinions that are popular. Immediately after the first World War, Mr. Winston Churchill was invited to write an inscription for a war memorial. He wrote, "In war, resolution; in defeat, defiance; in victory, magnanimity; in peace, good will." Needless to say, the proposed inscription was unanimously rejected by the committee. Probably a year later they would have been glad, even proud, to accept it. After World War II the public recovered its nerve and common sense far more quickly than after World War I. People today already realize that it does no good to go on fighting the war once it is over. What we have got to do is to win the peace.

The Lure Of Peiping

By A. CECIL TAYLOR

A Vatican spokesman declared the other day that Peiping was the moral capital of China and that the city was least subject to Western influence. Ardent Chinese Nationalists might disagree. But they cannot deny that it is a most enchanting city.

Peiping resembles an old, old lady who, a great beauty in her youth, now displays faded charms. Peiping, City of Peace, has now been re-christened that name, instead of Peking, by which it is known to most Australians.

The first time Peiping received its present name was after the removal in 1928 of the Chinese Government to Nanking, thus making that city the official capital.

Peiping—or Pei-ching—translated means Northern Capital. The Japanese, when they captured and occupied the ancient walled city, restored the former name of Peking. After the surrender of Japan the legally constituted Chinese Government swept the name aside, with all other Japanese "improvements."

Yet this is not the first time the city has been renamed. Long ago it was the "City Obedient to Heaven," or Shunt'ien fu. Also "The Capital of the Swallows," or Yenching. And when the pioneer Catholic missionary Giovanni di Monte Corvino, or John de Montecorvino, arrived at the Mongol court at the end of the 13th century, the city he knew was called Khanbalig or Cambalu.

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What changes the venerable city has undergone and what endless stories one could tell of it! Chronic inflation followed Japanese occupation, because of the complete lack of a system by enemy-controlled quislings. This brought great suffering upon the unfortunate populace. But the Northern Chinese are philosophical and phegmatic, as well as amazingly adapable, and foreign encroachment and enemy rule are old stories to them.

Long before the birth of Christ a powerful city towered close to where the Peiping of to-day stands. Dr. Osvald Siren, the Swedish scholar and archaeologist, personally has shown me brick foundations of the Tartar city wall—for Peiping is a city of walls—laid down centuries ago.

Foreigners, interested in antiquity and the arts, find much of absorbing interest in China, and especially in Peiping. I have known educated foreigners become so absorbed in the study of ancient lore and customs that they lived in a dream world apart from the life lived by the foreign colony. A definite Peking type of foreigner was thus evolved. Unconciously, they adopted Chinese ways and manners. They turned to Chinese rather than Western food, and eventually ceased to take any interest in the affairs of their home country.

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I would define this influence of Chinese culture on impressionable Europeans as a psychic force every bit as potent as and certainly more subtle than the trends of thought which influence so tremendously fashions, modern poetry, music, art, and even industry.

Chinese caligraphy is an art, and it is claimed that all who take up the study of Chinese literature begin to do all their thinking along Chinese lines. I heard one of the greatest living authorities on Chinese art, a European, state that it had touched or reached heights unknown to the West. This is a startling statement, but one which I, who am not an art critic, cannot refute.

At the turn of this century (after the Boxer rising, when the Foreign Legation quarter was established at the Chinese capital) life was easy and economical for the foreigner.

Diplomats and their staffs, of course, lived in the Legation Quarter, but there was a substantial foreign residence quarter just outside it. A man earning a moderate salary, could live in luxury. He had a charming Chinese house and a staff of loyal efficient, and polite servants, for the Northern Chinese is politeness personified.

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The gracious manners of the Imperial court, which for so many centuries had its home in Peiping, are now reflected in the manners and the delightful Mandarin speech of even the humblest inhabitant.

Until recently there were few cars in the city, rickshaws, drawn by runners of splendid physique, being the favourite mode of locomotion.

Runners and rickshaws had nothing in common with their regions of the Republic where, in Chungking especially, one looked dismally at the emaciated pullers and their rattletraps. These men were driven to abominable avenues of escape from their grinding poverty—opium-smoking being their chief delight. When behind a runner of this description I felt it was wrong so to degrade a fellow-human as to make him a beast of burden.

I never once felt that way in Peiping, for the men who drew me there were stalwarts and enjoyed their jobs. I, therefore, never for a moment felt I was degrading them, for, indeed, I was not.

But rickshaws have become an anachronism and the Chinese Government will, as soon as possible, prohibit their use, for it is an axiom of economics that where one section of the community lives in great luxury another section must live in poverty. This accounts for the fact that in pre-war days one could live so well on so little.

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Servants'—all workers'—wages were low. They herded together and subsisted on a very simple, almost meatless, diet, meat (pork especially) being reserved for especial feast days. But the simplicity of their diet did not detract from its nourishment.

All clothing was made at home; cloth shoes also. Luxuries and little pleasures were few, and were reserved always for feast days.

Chinese summer garments are simple and in winter, when the temperature drops below zero, the poorer classes wear long gowns padded with cotton waste. The colder it is the more you put on. The temperature being gauged according to garments—a no-coat day being warm and sunny and a five-coat day freezing.

This donning of layer upon layer of clothes results in amazing spectacles. I have seen small children top-heavy with clothing. The advent of spring causes layers to be lessened. Garment after garment is discarded so that by the time high summer arrives, practically nothing remains—or is needed—especially for males.

During the festivals of the New Year, Dragon Boat and other festivals, Peiping's workers down tools and indulge in pleasures which are fully shared by all foreigners delighting in Chinese customs.

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A generous master at the Lunar New Year gave his servants a month's extra wages while, at the Western New Year, the servants would reciprocate with gifts to master and mistress.

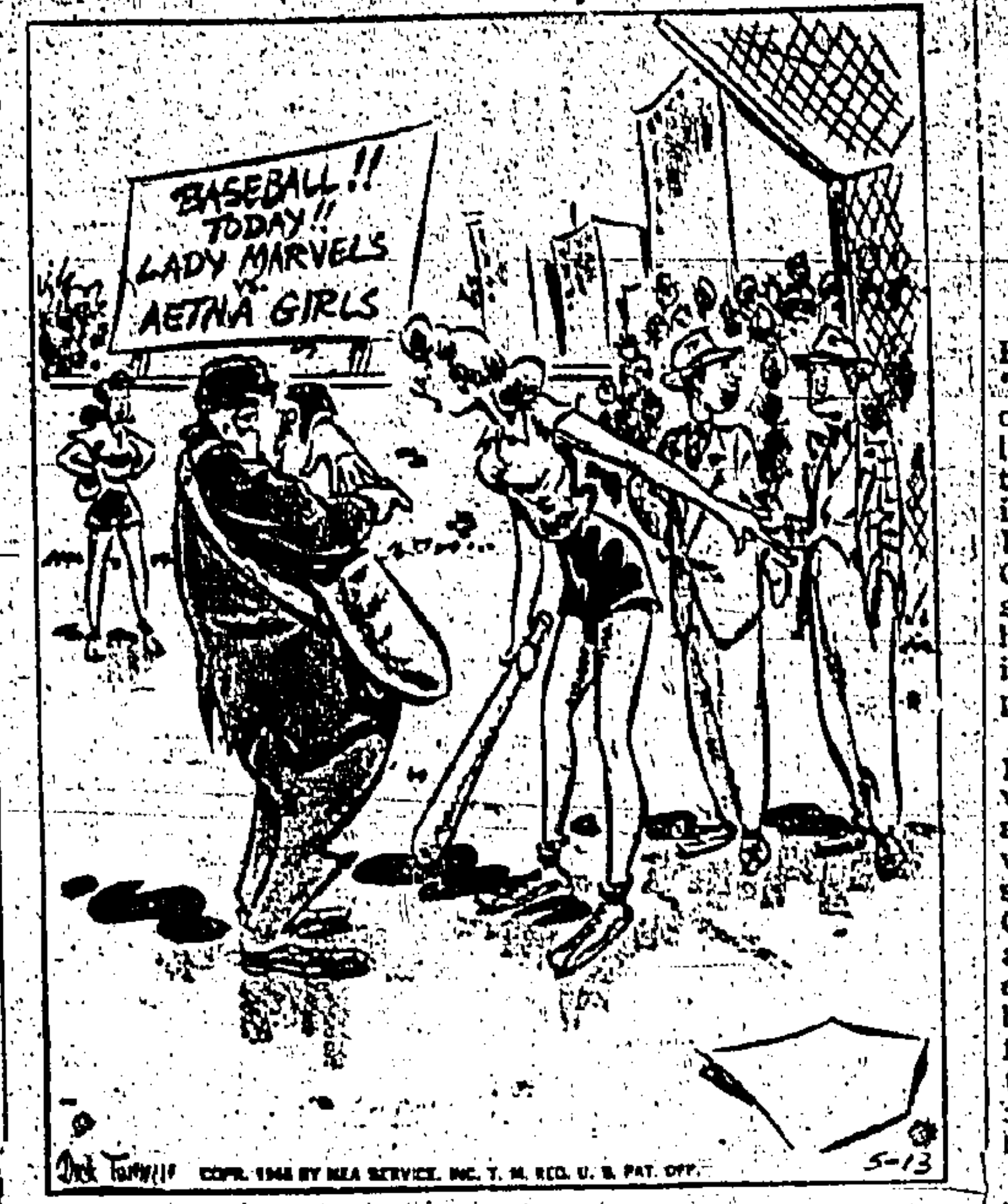
After China's entry into World War II United States' influence, never negligible, was considerably increased in China and nowhere is it more evident than in the former capital. The presence there of American troops with their high standard of living and their excellent pay enormously contributed to the ever-mounting living costs. Both Chinese and foreign residents' living standard has been affected by the high purchasing power of the G.I.'s. Even in peacetime this was felt when American Mariner of the U.S. Guard at the Embassy, tall and smartly uniformed, were able to spend so much more than the soldiers of the British and other foreign embassy guards, who knew the word "austerity" long before the war forced it upon the minds of all classes the world over.

When the last Japanese and the last G.I. have gone Peiping will settle back into her armchair and resume a great deal of her old way of life with, of course, some modifications.

She is too individualistic, possessed of too powerful a personality, to undergo, ever, a complete change.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner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FROM CITY TO SMALLHOLDING

I always had "roots in the soil" but World War II had pushed me into Fleet Street heart of the newspaper world in London where I was working as an agricultural journalist, travelling back every evening to my tiny cottage and six-acre holding with little time to housekeep or "smallhold." By the time I had returned from my daily work, I had journeyed over 150 miles.

One June morning just after VE-Day as I stood at the end of the garden waiting for the bus which would take me five miles to the station I smelt a sweet briar and looked to see where it was. It was then I saw my cottage and holding as they really were—shabby and neglected.

Hedges overgrown and untrimmed, rambler roses unpruned and straggling around what had once been a neat archway. Pigsties unkempt and patched, garden not properly cultivated, fruit-trees unsprayed. And myself going off to a London office to write articles telling other people how to farm, to get the best from their gardens, trying to enlist the sympathy of the townspeople—to make them realise the importance of farming to Britain. What an example I was setting—wasted land in the middle of a food crisis!

A Decision

When I arrived at the office that day I explained to my editor what I had realised earlier that morning. I had decided to exchange my journalistic activities for work on the land. So I left Fleet Street to practise what I had preached for five years. And to-day my hands are once again hard with manual labour, holding a spade or fork instead of a pen. My face is tanned and powderless and my back aches... but I can see the sweet briar.

I am up at six each morning; it is hard work all day, and I go to bed at 10 o'clock and drop off to sleep immediately. But I am a countrywoman once more, doing the job that so many of my kind have been doing for the last six years—getting maximum production from every yard of land—food for mankind and animals.

And instead of writing of the trials and joys of the small farmer in this most critical of all years, 1946, instead of trying to explain to townsfolk the difficulties of rural living, I am inviting them to spend weekends with me so that they can get practical experience.

Today in place of the thin grass and nettles which used to pass for hay, my acres are yielding enough keep for a couple of Guernsey cows. The skimmed milk goes to help feed two teams of Large White pigs and four calves which I am rearing for market.

A couple of dozen fowls—Rhode Island crossed with Black Leghorn which I find are good layers and not too small for the table—keep me and some of my friends in eggs.

The Vegetable Garden

In the vegetable garden I grow potatoes, beans, peas, carrots and cabbage. Any surplus goes to the greengrocers in the nearest town. They also take my fruit (plums, rhubarb, greengages) and there is an increasing demand for herbs, especially sage, which the town housewife buys for flavouring her meat ration and sausages. Eventually I want to grow flowers for the market, but in Britain these are still regarded as a luxury and faced as we are with a hard winter I should be ashamed to grow them when food production is vital.

The copper in which we boil up food for the animals and poultry these days on such a smallholding as mine is an important accessory. Every scrap of vegetable matter except rhubarb leaves, small potatoes, peelings and pea pods, goes into the copper and after boiling is mixed with the meal rations.

Unless we have a fairly large acreage on which to grow barley and wheat (and from which we are allowed to keep the tail grain) or can grow several acres of root crops it is not easy to keep animals fit on what we are allocated by the Government from our corn-merchants. Even those farmers who have kept back home-grown corn are finding they will have to cut down the numbers of livestock before next winter.

Apart from the everlasting struggle to get enough food for the animals, our greatest problem is labour. Many ex-Servicemen are fighting shy of returning to the land; the call of the towns with higher wages is strong in comparison with a farm job which in many cases (especially if there is stock) is a seven-day-a-week tie. At present I am single-handed four days of the week with the assistance of an excellent gardener for the other three, but neighbours are helpful and we pool our work as much as possible.

Haymaking Time

At haymaking time everybody in the village lends a hand. It is considered a breach of good faith to help in the fields either then or at harvest time. This year I have been lucky with the weather. We cut round the outside and headlands of the meadow with a scythe overnight; a neighbour with a tractor-drawn mower made short work of the rest. Next day it rained but this was followed by a light wind and sun.

Two friends lengthened their week-end visit to help with the job. Soon after five o'clock on the day we were to carry the hay, the neighbour who had cut it arrived with his trailer for loading. The roadman who was once a farm hand and has never lost interest in the land came straight from work. Another man, who runs a coal and wood merchant's business in the village, helped with the stacking while my visitors, another neighbour and myself raked, loaded or pitched. This year there was no beer for the workers, but jugs of unsweetened tea kept them going.

We finished the job by ten o'clock in the evening. And in the dusk where a nicely-topped stack loomed, visible monument to our labours, with a smell of hay and honeysuckle coming in at open windows, we sat down to a meal of new potatoes and green peas cooked with plenty of mint, a fresh salad, curds and whey with rhubarb, and cocoa made with milk.

Each of us was dog-tired but we had a sense of satisfaction of a job well done. My own enjoyment was complete, for I had a stack of good hay, representing food for the cows with a consequent supply of milk, and everything on the supper-table, with the exception of bread and cocoa, had been grown on my holding.

TODAY IN EUROPE

By RANDOLPH CHURCHILL

Britain's Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin recently declared, "What I want is that everyone be able to travel where he likes." Sincere in this aspiration, he has repeatedly stated, in public and in private, that before he leaves the Foreign Office, he hopes it will be possible for any Englishman to buy a ticket to any destination in the world without either a passport or a visa.

Mr. Bevin gave practical proof of his good intentions when, some months ago, he abolished the exit permit which, up to then, every British subject had to obtain from the Government before he could go aboard. Unfortunately, Government officials in great numbers in different ministries are far less liberal in their outlook than Mr. Bevin. Although nominally the exit permit has been abolished, it has been reintroduced "sub rosa" in the retention of the system of travel priorities. In reality, as a result of the shortage of accommodations on both ships and aircraft, no one can travel without the blessing of a Government department.

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I am under contract to arrive in New York early in October to undertake a six-months lecture tour. I would have liked to sail either on the Queen Mary or on the Aquitania. But both these ships, many weeks in advance, were reported to be booked to capacity by United Nations delegates, and they both have long waiting lists of would-be passengers.

My secretary therefore approached a young lady in the American information division of the Foreign Office to obtain the necessary priority. The young lady was most cooperative and said she would be glad to do what she could for me. Even with her support, however, it proved impossible to get a cabin on either of those two ships, both of which are still controlled by the Government.

So in reality, the right of an Englishman to travel freely does not exist today. In fact, he can travel only if he has the blessing of officialdom and, even then, it is by no means certain.

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The ship Queen Elizabeth is not controlled by the Government. She is once more being operated by a private line. I had no difficulty in obtaining accommodations on the Queen Elizabeth. Unfortunately, however, her refitting has taken longer than expected, and her maiden trip has been postponed beyond the last date on which it is possible for me to sail.

So I've arranged to fly. It was useless to approach British Overseas Airways; they, too, are controlled by the state. They always have immense waiting lists, with limited accommodations reserved for civil servants and bureaucrats. Perhaps, with a Government priority, I might have got a reservation. It is simpler, however, to fly by an American airline, so I rang up American Export Airlines. They merely said, "Which day do you want to go?" I said, "The 30th of September." They said, "Fine."

No Comment

Seoul, Oct. 5.

Lieutenant General John R. Hodge, American occupation commander of southern Korea, said he had no comment on the story from the "Atlanta Constitution" correspondent that Japan made and tested an atomic bomb.

Military authorities said, however, that undoubtedly something exploded off Konan, northern Korea, a few days before the war's end, as the "Constitution" dispatch reported, but they were unable to determine what it was. The description seemed to fit the explosion of a 2,000-pound bomb rather than an atomic missile, said one officer, adding that the first time a person hears a 2,000-pounder explode on the surface, he might easily think it an atomic bomb.

Army Intelligence said that all information in the matter has been forwarded to General Douglas MacArthur's Headquarters in Tokyo.—Associated Press.

CHURCHILL'S ATTACK ON LABOUR

Government Vacillating Without Plan Or Policy

Tory Call For United Front

Blackpool, Oct. 5.

Mr. Winston Churchill today bitterly assailed the Labour Government's policy towards India, declaring that when the British walked out of the country, its unity would be destroyed and millions of "helpless humble Indians" will be left to face a dark future of misery and bloodshed.

Referring to the accusation by the Soviet press and radio and unfriendly elements in the United States of British imperialism, in seeking expansion and aggrandisement, Mr. Churchill said: "While Soviet Russia is seeking to expand and is expanding in every direction and has already brought many extra scores of millions of men directly or indirectly under the despotic control of the Kremlin and the rigours of Communist discipline, we who sought nothing from this war but to do our duty and are in fact reducing ourselves to a fraction of our former size and population, are successfully held up to world censure.

"It is astonishing that no effective reply should be made by the Government and that it should be left to Field-Marshal Smuts, the great South African and our former valiant enemy of Boer-War days, to raise his voice in vindication of British magnanimity, tolerance and good faith.

"What are we to say of the handling of the Palestine problem by the Socialist Government? At the general election, they made lavish promises to the Zionists and their success at the polls excited the passionate expectations of Jews throughout the Hebrew world.

"These promises were no sooner made than they were discarded and now all through this year, the Government stands vacillating without any plan or policy, holding on to a mandate in which they have no vital interest, gaining the distrust and hostility of both the Arabs and Jews and exposing us to worldwide reprobation for their manifest incapacity.

Grave Future

"Thus both at home and abroad, the British nation and Empire have been deprived of the rewards their conduct deserves. I have naturally considered very carefully what is my duty in these times.

"It would be easy for me to retire gracefully in the odour of civic freedoms and this plan crossed my mind frequently some months ago.

"I feel, now, however, that the situation is so serious and what may have to come so grave that I am resolved to go forward, carrying the flag as long as I have the necessary strength and energy and to have your confidence.

"It is important to our name and endurance as a great power and to the cohesion of our national and imperial life, that there should be reestablished at the earliest possible moment some poise and balance between the political forces in our island, and that those who were so unexpectedly clad with overwhelming parliamentary power should be made to realise that they are servants and not masters of the British nation.

Earnest Action

"When I think of what has already happened, what is happening and what is going to happen in the next year or two, I feel, as you feel, profoundly stirred.

"Our reaction must not be despair, because that is an emotion which we do not allow. It must be wrath and not despair but wrath must translate itself not in vain expletives but in earnest action and well conceived measures and organisation."

Mr. Churchill then detailed the steps which the Conservative Party would take to establish "rallying centres for men and women of all parties who opposed the Socialist theory and mismanagement."

He called for a nationwide recruiting campaign for the Conservative Party. "The British race is not actuated mainly by hope of material gain," Mr. Churchill added. "Otherwise we should long ago have sunk in the ocean of the past. It is stirred on almost all occasions by sentiment and instinct rather than by programmes or worldly calculation.

Noble Hymn

"When this new Parliament first met, all Socialist members stood up and sang the 'Red Flag' in their triumph.

"Peering ahead through the mists and mysteries of the future as far as I can, I see the division at the next election will be between those who [illegible] sing the 'Red Flag' and those who rejoice to sing 'Land of Hope and Glory.'

"There is the noble hymn which will rally the wise, sober-minded and good to the salvation of our native land."—Reuter.

Resolution Passed

Blackpool, Oct. 5.

The Conservative Party conference here today unanimously carried the resolution "that this conference views with alarm the numerous and insidious steps which are being taken day by day to undermine our liberty" and urges the Party to take every opportunity of exposing these manoeuvres.

The mover of the resolution, Miss P. Hornsby Smith, said that there had been 1,744 rules and orders in the last 12 months and not one had been adopted on the floor of the House of Commons.

More than 300 officials could bring down on the people severe penalties for breaking rules and orders which the average man did not understand, Mr. Harold McMillan, Member of Parliament, said.

He added: "The Labour Government neglect their proper work. There is no central plan. They talk of planning: they practice confusion."—Reuter.

PLANES OF THE FUTURE

Los Angeles, Oct. 6.

Airplanes with wings like insects instead of the conventional anchored variety were described as a future possibility before the Society of Automotive Engineers by William Stout, Detroit consulting engineer.

Explaining his studies of flapping wings, he said "That's why bugs don't need propellors."—Associated Press.

Acquitted Nazis Safe For Time Being

Nuernberg, Oct. 5.

After over 12 hours of "house arrest" in different parts of this half-ruined city, Hjalmar Schacht and Hans Fritsche — two of the former German war leaders acquitted by the Nuernberg War Crimes Tribunal — are free to come and go as they please, pending their trial by the Nuernberg Purge Court, a United States official statement said today.

The Nuernberg police president, Leo Stahl, who had previously ordered the arrest of both men, told them this afternoon that the German police had received orders not to detain them and that their house arrest had come to an end. The order came to the Nuernberg police directly from General Walter Mueller, head of the American Military Government in Bavaria, an official statement said.

As these orders were being announced, Hans Fritsche said in an interview that he had asked the Nuernberg police chief to give him one month's "peace and quiet" and then arrange for him to appear before the Purge Court so that he could explain to the German people why he made propaganda for the Nazi cause over the radio.

Fritsche added that his immediate future was "a little uncertain. I applied for permission to enter the British zone. It was refused. Good. I do not apply again," he said.

Have To Register

Schacht, von Papen and Fritsche will be required to register under German denazification law like other German adults in the American zone, the United States Military Government authorities announced tonight.

The announcement said that the American Military Government would not interfere with the Germans' action unless they attempt to try the three men on the same charges as those on which they have been acquitted by the Nuernberg International Tribunal. From now on the acquitted men are subject to German law and to German authorities.

Theodor Tantzen-Hering, Prime Minister of the German province of Oldenburg in the British zone, told correspondents tonight that the three acquitted Nazi leaders would not be arrested until it had been decided whether they were liable for punishment under German laws valid at the time of their acts.

As for "denazification," Herr Tantzen-Hering said that this would not become necessary until they sought employment.—Reuter.

FOREIGN TROOPS QUESTION

New York, Oct. 5.

The Russian delegation spokesman said here today that the Soviet Government has asked that the United Nations General Assembly shall take up the question of the presence of foreign troops in the territories of non-enemy countries.

The delegation released the text of a letter addressed to the UNO Secretary-General, Mr. Trygve Lie, conveying the request and stated that later a reply said it was agreed to place the item on the agenda of the Assembly, due to meet on Oct. 23.—Reuter.

Economic Body For Europe

Lake Success, Oct. 5.

Britain and the United States will probably press strongly at the coming General Assembly for an economic commission for Europe.

All efforts to achieve this through the Economic and Social Council have so far failed. In the opinion of most of the 18 delegates on the Council as well as UN economic experts, the Council's three weeks' session ended early yesterday morning with very little achieved to substantiate the mandate given to it in the charter. Consideration of the European economic commission was shelved until the Council meets again next Friday.—Reuter.

DOWNING STREET AND WASHINGTON AT ODDS

Washington, Oct. 5.

A White House spokesman today described the situation raised by the President's latest statement on Palestine as "delicate" and declined either to confirm or deny whether there had been any exchange between the President and Mr. Clement Attlee the British Prime Minister, since its publication.

Mr. Charles Ross, the Presidential press secretary, said: "The situation is delicate. I do not want to say anything that might stir up controversy."

Mr. Ross said there had been considerable exchange of views between the White House and Downing Street in the last few days, but he refused to confirm that the British Prime Minister had sent any message to President Truman since publication of the statement early yesterday.

British Embassy sources in Washington said all communications on the subject were either being made between President Truman and Premier Attlee direct or through the United States Embassy in London.

It was authoritatively confirmed, however, that the British Government's disapproval of the new statement was being expressed in the strongest terms and a most serious view is being taken of its possible repercussions.

Apart from prejudicing the London conference on Palestine, the new move is thought to reopen the danger of new and drastic action by Jewish extremists.

Not Important

Meanwhile a Reuter report from London quotes Dr. M. Fadhel Jamali, the Iraqi Foreign Minister and head of the Iraqi delegation to the Palestine conference in London, as saying: "One should not give much weight to the President's utterances on the subject, in the light of democracy, freedom and justice."

Continuing, he said: "President Truman's latest statement on immigration into Palestine is devoid of moral force because of its onesideness and authoritarianism. The President does not seem to realise that the Arab people should have, like all other peoples, a final say about the destiny of their own land. We regret the President's connection with Zionist sources in America is never counterbalanced by any standing connections with or study of, the Arab point of view.

"We also know to our regret that elections in America, which should be purely internal matters, do take on a bargaining nature for Zionist votes and Zionist influence in the United States. Taking all these facts into consideration one should not give much weight to the statement."—Reuter.

Travel Restrictions Should Be Lifted

London, Oct. 6.

American tourists may be showering $1,500,000,000 annually abroad in the near future.

Herbert Wilkinson, United States Department of Commerce delegate to the "International Travel Conference, said he made that estimate after "the historical pattern of national income."

To the dollar-hungry world governments, it loomed as a golden apple to spur the tourist organization's campaign for simplification and elimination of official red tape, frontier and general travel delays and restrictions.

The United States itself must lift the current ban on tourists travel to Europe before the spending spread starts.

Wilkinson, in an interview, said tourists would be one of the United States' major "imports."

At the *Conference* Wilkinson promised American support for better tourist travel campaigns.

Among the recommendations by the representatives of 40 nations to their Governments, were—

(1)—Simplification of passports and visas.

(2)—Facilitation of workers and student travel.

(3)—Uniform collection of national tourist statistics.

(4)—Tax-free interchange of tourist propaganda material.

To shorten frontier delays, the Conference proposed the adoption of universal identity charms.—Associated Press.

Iranian Government In A Mess

Teheran, Oct. 5.

The Iranian War Department has ordered the forces facing rebel tribesmen in south Iran to counter-attack everywhere they are menaced.

The Iranian Army losses are already considered heavy, however, and foreign military circles here believe that the Government troops are outnumbered as well as being handicapped by the immensity of the desert space.

It is feared that if the rising of tribesmen spreads to Khuzistan Province, the oilfield region will be endangered.

Owing to the garbling of a message in transmission, it was incorrectly reported yesterday that tribesmen had gained control of Kermanshah in western Iran, a key town straddling the vital communication lines between Teheran and Bagdad.

The correct form of the message should have been: "The newly created tribesmen's union at Kermanshah, controlling vital communications between Teheran and Bagdad, demanded the same home rule privileges as were granted to the northern province of Azerbaijan."—Reuter.

German Opinion Roused

Philadelphia, Oct. 6.

The three acquittals in the Nuernberg trials were responsible for the popular upheaval in German opinion that is the first sole expression of anti-Nazi democratic view, Dr. Albert Kempner said on his return home today.

Kempner, who is chief of investigation and research for American Prosecutor Jackson, told an interviewer the convicted Nazi warlords played the role of tough men throughout the 10-month trial on orders of Goering but that their front has now crumbled.

He said there has developed "a tremendous upheaval in Germany against the acquittal of Schacht, Von Papen and Fritzsche. There are demonstrations and public gatherings in opposition to the acquittals.

expression of a sound political Trade buying and herding caus view on the part of the German people. The lengthy trial had an educational effect on the German people and their line of thinking is as follows:

"That men like these three who initiated and financed Nazi business are no less guilty than those who later executed the preparation for war and crimes against humanity.

"The little man in the street does not understand the legal aspect of the acquittals."

Kempner said the defendants went so far in their pleas for clemency that "they ordered their lawyers to ask the prosecution whether the prosecution might support their pleas. In other words they went to their worst enemies to try to save their necks."—Associated Press.

Attlee Note To Truman

London, Oct. 6.

The Foreign Office said today that Prime Minister Clement Attlee had sent a personal note to President Truman which went even farther than the Sept. 4 message expressing resentment over the President's refusal to delay publication of his statement advocating immediate admission of a substantial number of Jews into Palestine.

A source close to Mr. Attlee said dissension over Palestine is also one of several matters on which the former Minister of State, Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, disagreed with the Government.

Colonial Secretary Hall and War Secretary Lawson, Cabinet chiefs directly concerned with Palestine, also are involved in the shifts.

A Foreign Office spokesman underlined the British official view that Britain under its League of Nations mandate remains in sole control of Palestine and has no obligations to accept suggestions by the United States or any outside power.—Associated Press.

Arabs Uneasy Over Truman Speech

Baghdad, Oct. 6.

President Harry Truman's recent speech on Palestine has caused considerable uneasiness in Baghdad, leading Iraqis said yesterday, and may prejudice the amiability of Arab-American relations.

Senator Abdul Mehdi commented that President Truman was "forcing the Arabs to reconsider their attitude towards existing and future American interests in their countries."

Senator Hamdi Pasha Alphachachi, a former Premier, declared that "President Truman is damaging American interests by insisting on granting the Jews what is not his to give," while Sadiq Albassam, Vice-President in the Senate, said Truman was "purposely siding with Zionism against the Arab rights and principles for which America had waged two bloody wars."

Albassam added, however, that breaking off relations with the United States "would not serve Arab interests," but only Britain's, whose attitude was unchanged and striving for more time.

He declared that the Arabs should send a delegation to the United States to explain their cause and convince the American people to change their present "damaging policy toward the Arabs who have never made, and do not want to make, America their enemy."—Associated Press.

More Nazis Appeal

Nuernberg, Oct. 5.

Appeals were lodged this afternoon on behalf of Baron von Neurath, Admiral Keitel and Herr Sauckel. According to the American News Service in Germany, Herr von Ribbentrop's counsel has also handed in a plea for clemency on his client's behalf.

Dr. Frank's counsel, Dr. Seidl, said that the position as far as the appeal by the Pope was concerned was that Cardinal Faulhaber of Munich had sent a telegram to the Pope asking him to appeal on behalf of Frank. What action the Pope is taking has not yet been announced.

All accused condemned at Nuernberg have now appealed except Ernest Kaltenbrunner, Hitler's deputy, sentenced to death, and Speer, Armaments Minister, and Schirach, sentenced to 20 years imprisonment.

Today is the last day for appeals. Schirach has already said that he did not intend to appeal as 20 years was a just penalty "for the crimes that I have committed."

The American News Service reported tonight that the counsel for the convicted organisations, the S.S., Gestapo and Security Service have appealed.—Reuter.

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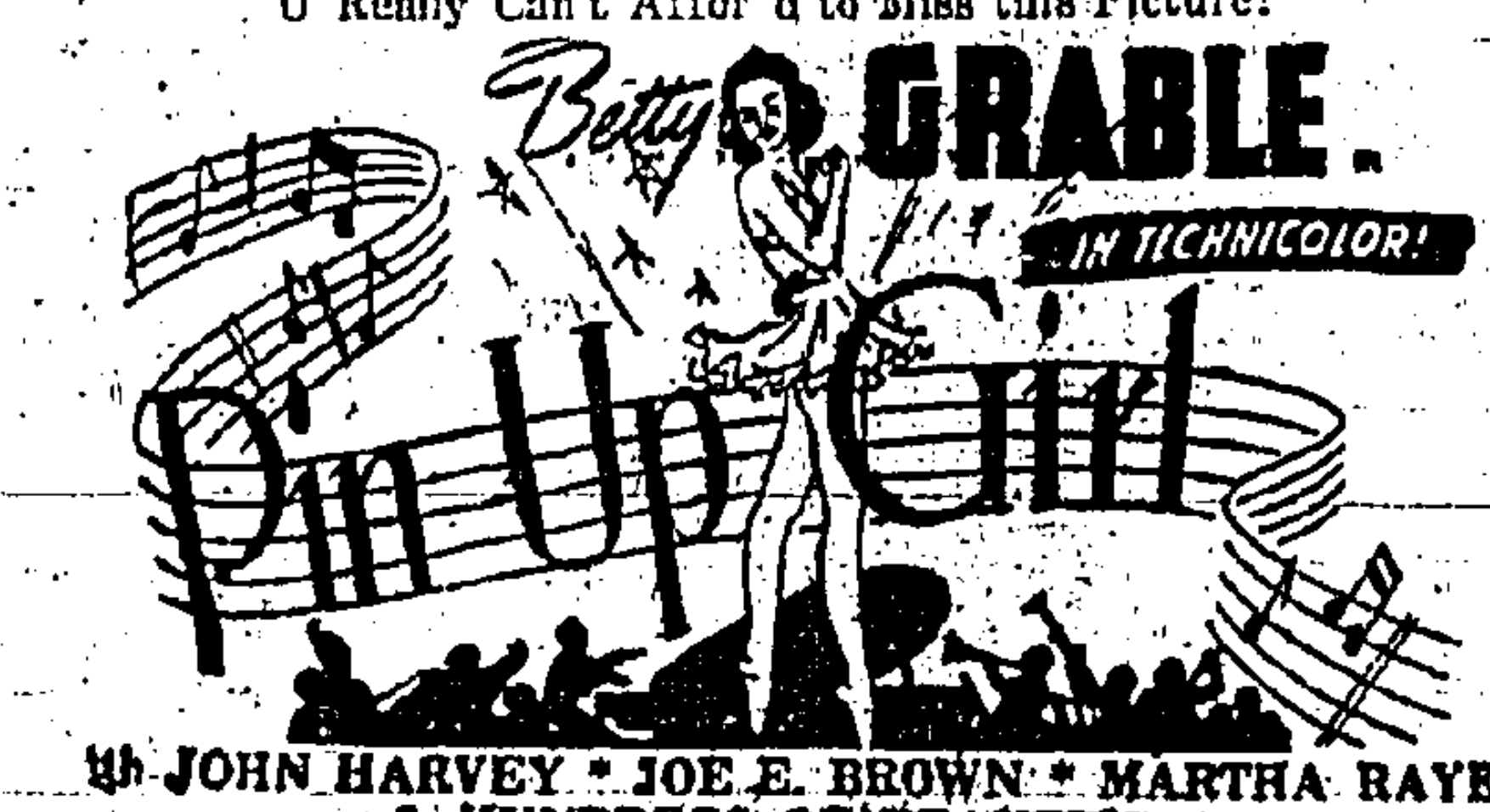

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INFLUENCE OF M. MOLOTOV ON CLOSING OF PARIS CONFERENCE

(By Sylvain Mangeot)

Paris, Oct. 5.

M. Vyacheslav Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Minister, now in Moscow consulting with Generalissimo Stalin, will return to Paris next week with everything depending on him for a smooth finish to the Peace Conference.

After 10 weeks desultory discussion, the delegates are now faced with 10 days activity in the plenary session with "Big Four" orders to dispose of the Italian peace treaty in three days and the three Balkan and Finnish treaties at the rate of one a day.

The work of the last ten days of the conference, although it will amount to little more than taking a normal vote on the questions already exhaustively debated in committee, will provide the answer to the question whether Russia will or will not reopen discussion on those clauses of the five treaties on which voting was against her in committee.

Yugoslavia, Greece and Albania particularly resent the recommendations of the Economic Committee for reparations payable to them by Italy.

Stalin Speech

Of the great powers the Soviet Union is clearly not satisfied with the present shape of the Trieste proposals while the Western powers are pessimistic about the chances of a Danubian settlement of which they can approve.

But at least these issues remain open for further discussion by the Big Four.

Conference observers still look for repercussions of Marshal Stalin's recent declaration in terms of Russian foreign policy.

It is possible that Russia will take one more attempt to reverse the two thirds vote against her on the Trieste settlement which was recorded when the French compromise proposal was voted. But if certain pointers are reliable, the Soviet delegation may be content to accept without further ado the findings of the Paris conference in preparation for the next stage—the final drafting of the five peace treaties.

An inside objective analysis of the voting in the committees shows that the Russians have little serious grounds for misgiving during the "final phase." Only on the key issue of Trieste has the two thirds majority recommendation gone against her wishes.

Otherwise, as with the Danube clauses of the Balkan treaties, the Slav bloc has successfully staved off a two thirds defeat which means that Russia's position in the Council of Foreign Ministers is, practically speaking, unimpaired.

A feature of the conference is that it appears to have satisfied almost nobody. Italy is more than ever convinced that she is the victim of a peace which fails to do justice to her record as a co-belligerent.—Reuter.

Howl For Nazis' Blood

Bremen, Oct. 6.

The German inter-zonal conference in Bremen today adopted a resolution demanding that war criminals not sentenced to death at Nuernberg and other Nazis should be tried before a German court.

Dr. Wilhelm Hoegner, Bavarian Prime Minister, emphasised that these persons should be called upon to answer for crimes punishable by German laws. For instance, Herr von Papen should be charged with a number of high treason activities from the middle of 1932 to the passing of the empowering law in 1933.

He said that Herr von Papen was the intellectual author of the Third Reich and that he had misled millions of Germans by representing to the German people Hitler's seizure of power as legal.—Reuter.

UNRRA Men Accused As Spies

Trieste, Oct. 6.

A UNRRA official said today that accusations of "espionage" were made against UNRRA investigators whenever they attempt to check Yugoslav army depots to learn whether UNRRA supplies are being diverted to Marshal Tito's army forces.

Bernard Ford, head of the UNRRA office in Ljubljana, said so far reports of the diversion of supplies had not been proven.

In Belgrade, Yugoslav officials disclosed that Robert Burnup, American construction engineer with the Yugoslav UNRRA mission, had been held one week on charges of espionage.

In Washington, Fiorello La Guardia, UNRRA director-general, said he was sending a mission to Yugoslavia to make an on-the-spot investigation of the diversion reports.—Associated Press.

BOSE STATUE PARADED

Bombay, Oct. 6.

A life sized statue of Subhas Chandra Bose was carried during a parade of the elephant-headed four-armed God of Fortune Ganesh through the streets today.

The statue with the head of the Hindu Idol was dressed in the full uniform of a marshal of the Indian National Army which Bose led against the Allies.—Associated Press.

ONE COMMAND DEMAND

San Francisco, Oct. 5.

The American Legion went on record by uproarious voice vote today in favour of a single department of national security in the President's Cabinet and a unified command of all military forces.

The Legion also called for immediate improvement of Alaska defence and maintenance of Puerto Rico as a fortified base.—Associated Press.

RUSSIAN PURGE

Moscow, Oct. 6.

Eight additional high ranking officials dismissed from Russia's collective farm system, were ordered tried, the Ministry of Control announced today.

They were the latest purged in the Soviet's determined drive against widespread graft and corruption in administering the system. Eight others already are being tried.—Associated Press.

Deadlock In Talks With Russia

London, Oct. 5.

Deadlock has again been reached in the Anglo-Soviet trade discussions and some of the Russian experts are returning to Moscow, says a correspondent in the "Observer."

The main reason for the breakdown is the inability of British manufacturers to fulfil Russian orders for machinery, electrical equipment, etcetera within two years, the correspondent adds.

Preliminary discussions between the delegation and the Board of Trade revealed the Board was unable to interfere with manufacturers' production plans and could not influence them to give Russia preference over orders placed by other countries.—Reuter.

Complete Knockout Of Junker Caste

Berlin, Oct. 6.

The Prussian military caste, which escaped annihilation as a group by the Nuernberg trial verdict that held it was not a criminal organization, may be wiped out by the Germans themselves.

The legal machinery is already in being for the final knockout of the Prussian Officers' Corps, who, many feel, are the real instigators of the two most disastrous wars the world has ever known.

The American zone de-Nazification law, passed last March and administered by the Germans through nearly 200 tribunals, not only provides for the trial of known Nazis but also for militarists and specific categories of German officers, the General Staff and High Command.

The essential parts of this American de-Nazification law have been drafted into a single directive which is now before the Allied Control Council and is expected to be passed shortly. It will then be applicable by Germans—in all four zones. The law provides for trials, besides naming the General Staff, of all those responsible for the domination and exploitation of foreign peoples and those responsible for the domination and exploitation of foreign peoples and those responsible for the devastation of Germany after it was invaded. All those tried by the tribunals are considered guilty until proved otherwise.

After the last war, the Prussian military officers went underground into semi-military organizations such as the police force and youth organizations. Many boasted of how they fooled the Allies and started rearming and training German youths for war almost as soon as the Versailles Treaty was signed.

To avoid a repetition of this tactic, the Allies have increased the scope of demilitarisation into new fields. German officers are specifically forbidden from being teachers where they might again spread militarism and military tactics. They are forbidden places in key organizations of a semi-military character such as the police.—Associated Press.

No Settlement Of Ship Strike

Washington, Oct. 6.

Negotiations for at least a partial settlement of the maritime strike recessed last night with no agreement.

Representatives of the striking unions and operators were asked to return by the Labour Department tomorrow to try again with Government conciliators to reach an understanding.

The prospects of an early settlement appeared dim.

In New York a union spokesman said Army ships or those carrying Army supplies or privately owned vessels chartered to the Army will be "given a clearance" by the striking Marine Engineers Beneficial Association.

The engineers are seeking a 35 per cent pay raise.—Associated Press.

British Plane Down In Yugoslavia

Rome, Oct. 5.

Allied forces headquarters says that a British plane was forced down at Nish in Yugoslavia yesterday.

A statement issued this afternoon by an Allied headquarters spokesman said: "It was reported today from Belgrade that a British plane, presumably on a regular courier run from Bari to Bucharest, was forced down near Nish on the afternoon of Oct. 4.

"It is believed that the aircraft landed as a result of signals from Yugoslav aircraft and that there were no casualties.

"No other details are known at present."

Nish is 2,000 kilometres southeast of Belgrade.—Reuter.

World Rule By Power?

Gambier, Ohio, Oct. 6.

Senator Robert Taft declared today that "hanging the 11 men convicted in Nuernberg will be a blot on the American record which we shall long regret."

He said the trials violated the American principle of law that a man could not be tried under retroactive laws.

Taft expressed the hope "we do not repeat the procedure in Japan."

He expressed a belief that America's recent foreign policy had been affected by the principles of expediency and supposed necessity and that it had abandoned largely the principle of justice.

"We drifted into an acceptance of the idea that the world is to be ruled by the power of great nations and a police force established by them rather than by international law."

He said law and justice had been foregone in Teheran, Yalta and Moscow.

"Nothing could be further from the rule of law than the making of secret agreements distributing territory of the earth in accordance with power and expediency."—Associated Press.

CATHOLIC PARTY IN JAVA

London, Oct. 5.

A Catholic People's Party has been formed in Java by Indonesians and Chinese, the Vatican radio said tonight. The Party has sent a representative to Holland to make contact with the Dutch Catholic Party.—Reuter.

Ram's Horn Blown

Jerusalem, Oct. 5.

The Palestine police tonight arrested nine Jews after the Ram's Horn had been blown near the Wailing Wall (inside the walled Old City) in defiance of regulations.

A number of Jewish youths began to sing "Hatiovah," the Jewish National song. The police broke up the demonstration which followed the rites of the Day of Atonement which is the holiest day in the Jewish calendar.

Meanwhile the Arab Higher Committee which adjourned tonight after a two-hour meeting announced that it would reply tomorrow to President Truman's statement urging immediate Jewish immigration into Palestine.—Reuter.

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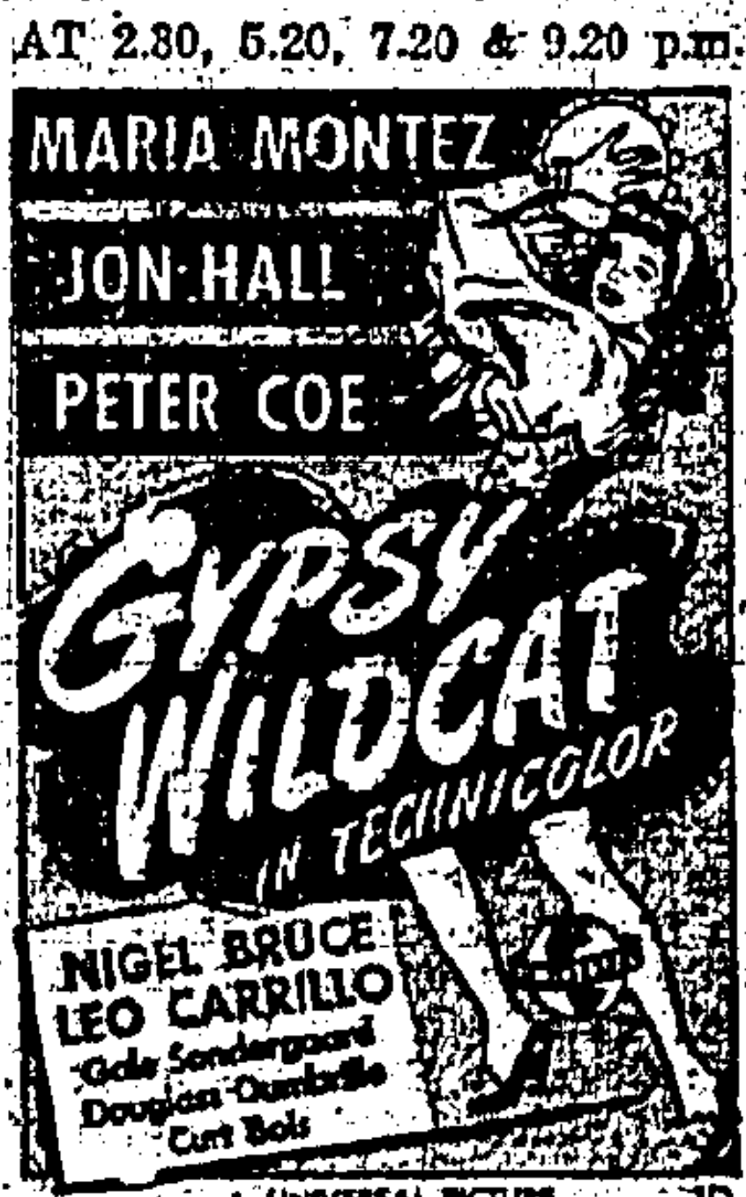

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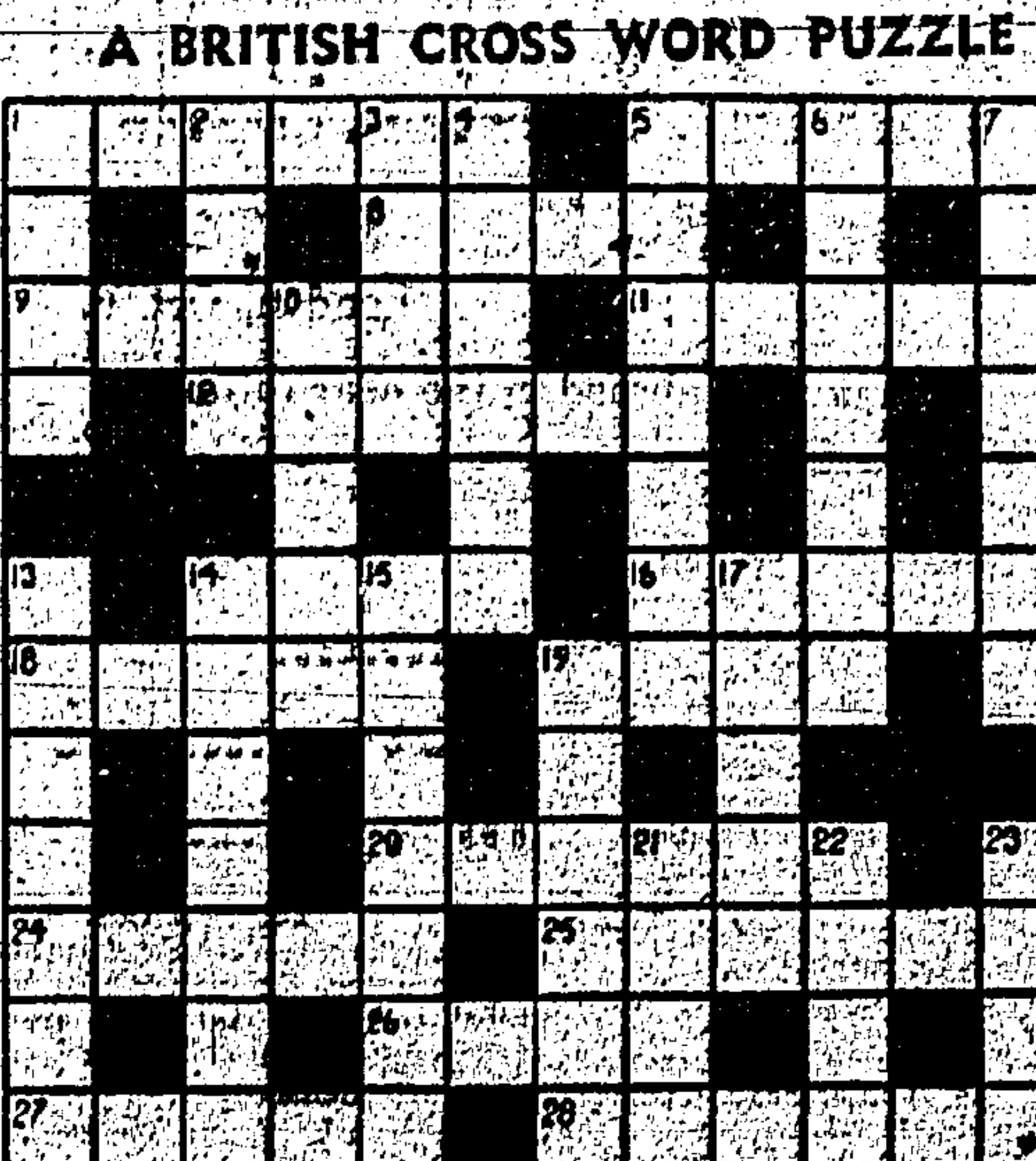

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5. Concise.
8. Volcanic discharge.
9. Clergyman.
11. Journal.
12. Trifle.
14. Curb.
16. Carp.
18. Get to know.
19. Lake.
20. Awkward customer.
24. Uniform colour.
25. Carry on again.
27. Son.
26. Extent.
28. Fabulous creature.

Down

1. Gull.
2. Struggle for breath.
3. Narrow opening.
4. Plaid.
5. Whim.
6. Get better.
7. Biblical story.
10. Be lofty.
13. Bed covering.
14. Fortification.
15. Commencing.
17. Tapestry.
19. Spoiled.
21. Rip.
22. Part of a ladder.
23. Eager.

Saturday's Crossword

ACROSS:—1. Music; 4. Pellet; 8. Goaled; 10. Issue; 12. Sidles; 14. Trestle; 17. Robe; 19. Uttered; 20. Emanate; 22. Lest; 23. Esteems; 27. Trusty; 29. Preys; 30. Spread; 31. Danish; 32. Satin.

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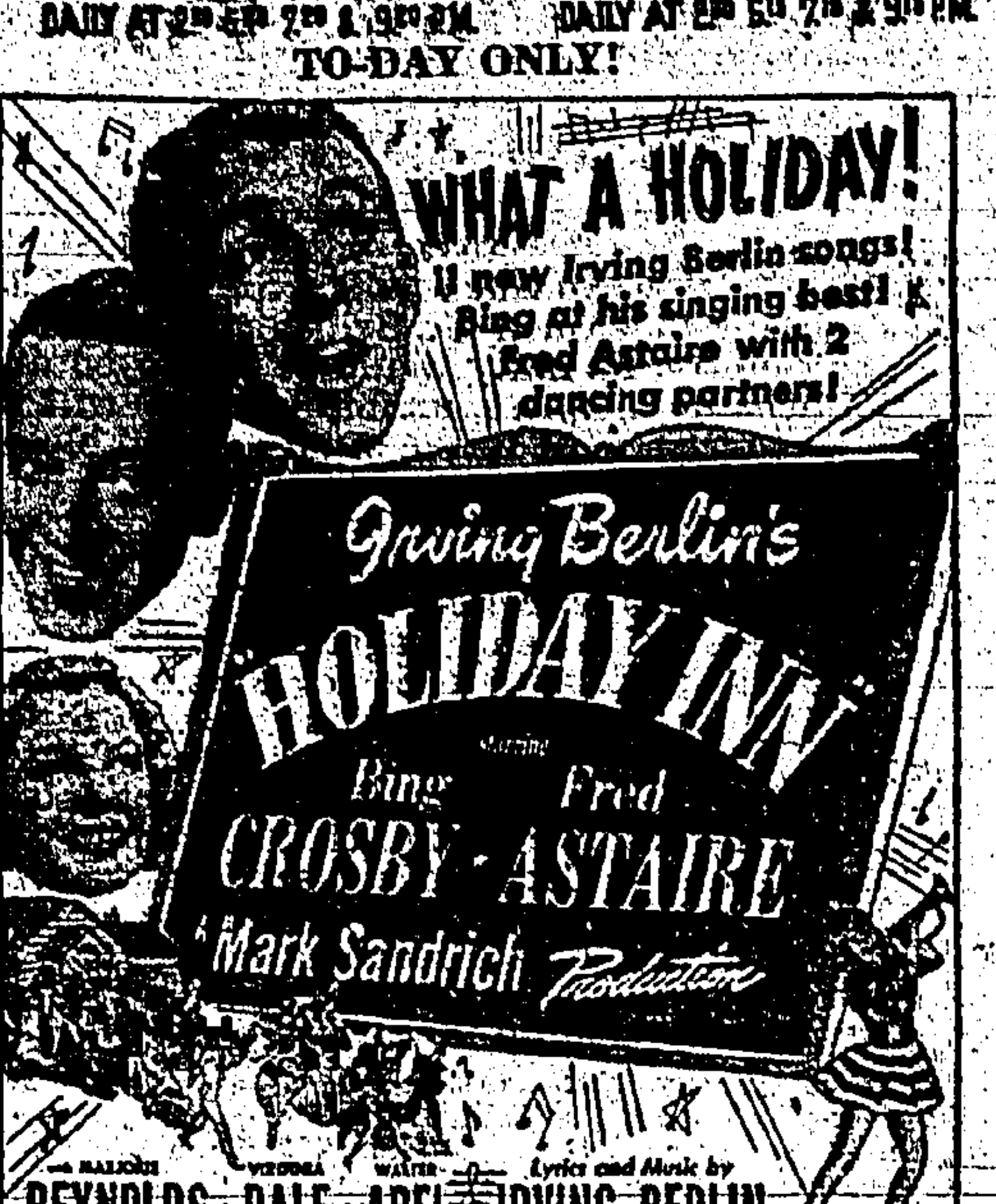
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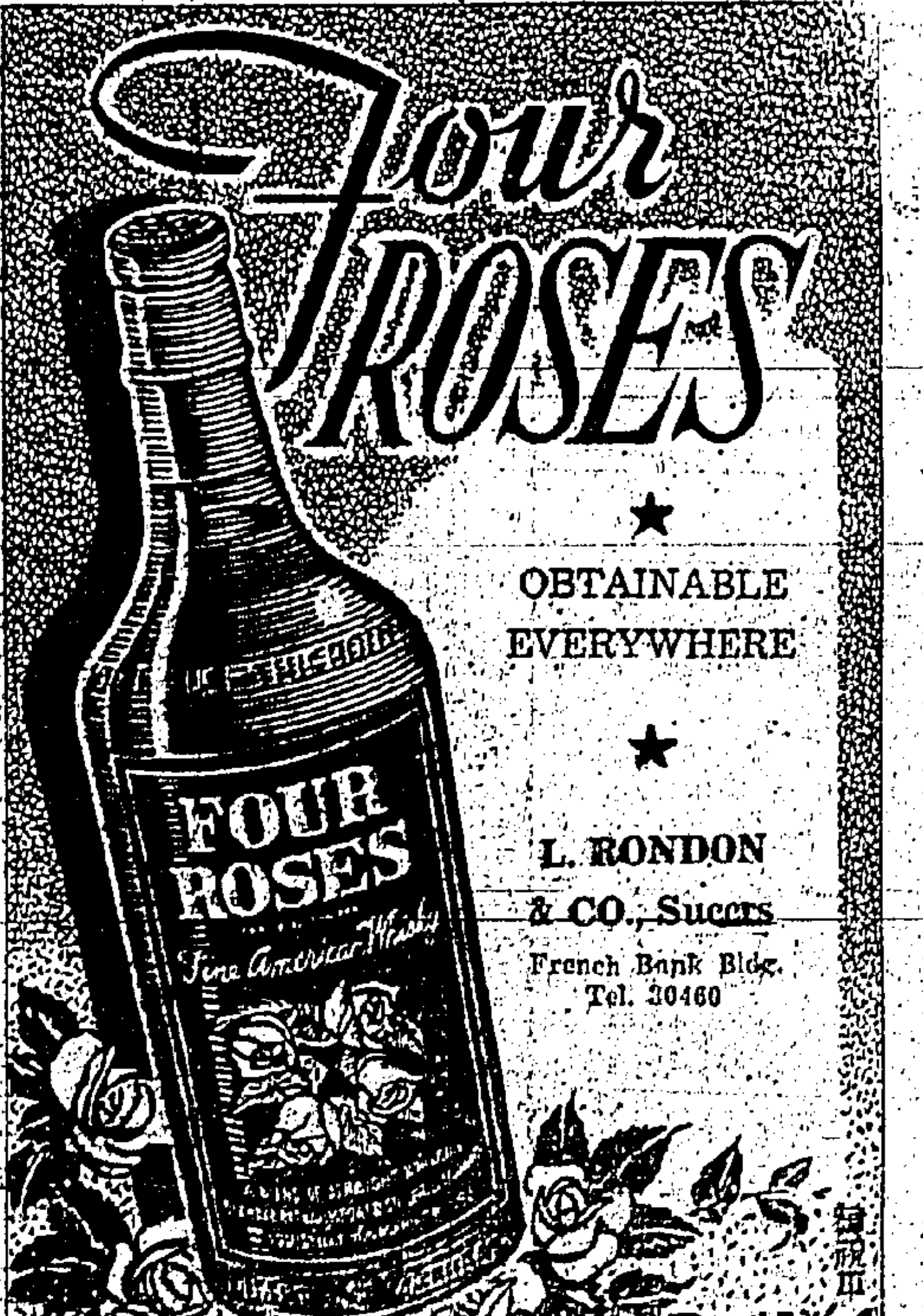

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Rubber Estates Face Keen Competition

Boston, Oct. 6.

For the first time in history, small unit native producers of Southeast Asia are turning out the lion's share of the world's natural rubber supply.

In the opinion of E. G. Holt, rubber adviser of the United States Department of Commerce just returned from a tour of Malaya and the Dutch East Indies, estate rubber—that produced by large plantation units—is faced with the keenest competition it yet had experienced.

In an address before the Rubber Chemistry section of the American Chemical Society, Holt said that the Southeast Asia small unit producers could turn out 60 per cent of the world's natural rubber, both this year and 1947, compared with the 45 per cent prewar. Holt predicted that estate production would slump proportionately.

Recounting the world natural rubber situation, following his tour of Malaya, the American rubber expert said that the Oriental countries would produce an estimated 600,000 tons during 1946 which, he said, would be about 40 per cent of capacity. For 1947, he said that those areas would turn out an expected 960,000 tons, which would be slightly under 60 per cent of capacity.

Political Changes

Following his theme that native producers are growing in importance, Holt stated that political changes in Southeast Asia growing out of the war which will make any measures more restrictive of production by natives than of production on estates would be less feasible than in prewar years. Small unit producers are operating on lower cost bases than the estates, Holt said, and American purchases during 1946 "have been definitely stimulative of native production."

The lack of trade goods throughout the Asian rubber areas is hampering production, Holt said, and this condition is making for higher prices. He said that the United States could assist the Orient's rubber production greatly by making available ample supplies of cotton goods, badly needed by the peoples of those areas.

Labour Short

He said that political conditions were a hampering factor in production in the Netherlands East Indies, while lack of labour is the chief retarding factor in Malaya and Indochina.

Holt reviewed conditions in the various rubber producing areas as follows:

Siam—Siamese rubber industry has a probable capacity of 60,000 tons annually. Production in 1946 is expected to be 20,000 tons and double that amount in 1947. Principal bottlenecks there are transportation, both by rail and ship, and the lack of incentive goods.

The Siamese are anxious to trade with the United States and rubber can represent an important factor in future trade relations between the two countries, Holt said.

Indo-China

French Indochina—the rubber industry there is nearly all estate owned, totalling 330,000 areas. Capacity for production is estimated at 80,000 tons at present. This year's crop is expected to be only about 20,000 tons, due primarily to labour scarcity and civil disturbances.

Efforts are being made to recruit Chinese labour from Canton and if it is successful, should reach 50,000 tons in 1947.

British Borneo—there is a capacity for more than 60,000 tons of rubber per year, Holt estimated. Production for 1946 is expected to be 25,000 tons and 50,000 tons for 1947. Labour is plentiful, but lack of transport retards production:

British Malaya and the Netherlands East Indies—in Malaya, capacity is judged at 600,000 tons. Holt estimated the production this year would be 320,000 tons, while for 1947, he set it at 450,000 to 500,000 tons. Holt said that there was little prospect of overcoming the shortage of labour in that area. Efforts are being made to obtain labour from India and China.

Later Sources

Due to political uncertainties in the Indies, Holt said, up to the present the Dutch activities in rubber has been limited to collection and sale of stocks in the rubber ports, stimulation of native rubber production and trade in Borneo and Celebes and other small islands under Dutch jurisdiction.

For 1946, Holt estimated that these areas would produce 55,000 tons and in 1947, some 135,000 tons.

At present, Holt concluded, the only sources of liquid latex are Liberia and British Malaya. He estimated that the amount of latex shipped from the Orient during 1946 will not exceed 4,000 tons and during 1947, might increase to 12,000 to 20,000 tons.—Associated Press.

Swedes And Russia In Agreement

Stockholm, Oct. 5.

Completion of negotiations in Moscow for a Swedish-Russian trade and credit agreement was announced tonight by the Swedish Foreign Office.

The announcement added King Gustav of Sweden had authorised the Swedish delegation to sign the agreement.

Communiques will be issued simultaneously in Moscow and Stockholm when the Swedish delegation returns home.

The negotiations began last May and in August the United States sent Notes to Moscow and Stockholm protesting the proposed agreement on the ground that it would be a bilateral deal "which would conflict with the United Nations plans for expanding multilateral commerce."—Reuter.

Depression Ahead?

Detroit, Oct. 6.

President Walter Reuther of the C.I.O. United Auto Workers, today asked automobile manufacturers to join him in petitioning President Truman for a national labour-management conference to head off a possible depression.

Sharp curtailments in production and continuing unemployment in the industry increase the need for such a conference, the union leader said.

"The logical consequences of curtailed production in the auto industry are depression and unemployment for the nation," he said. "The sharp drops in the stock market indicate those consequences may not be too far off."—Associated Press.

NEW CAR

Chicago, Oct. 3.

The Tucker Corporation announced arrangements for offering $20,000,000 in common stock have been completed to finance the production of a new rear-engined Tucker "Torpedo" automobile.

The Corporation President, Preston Tucker, said he planned to have production models of the 150 horsepower automobile ready for a test demonstration by the first of the year. Quantity production is expected sometime after March 1947.—Associated Press.

POOR FISHING

San Francisco, Oct. 3.

California's sardine industry continued to run at a snail's pace during the week ended Sept. 26.

The absence of pilchards from northern California waters mystified fishermen since the season started in August.

Southern California fishing started on Oct. 1, with indications that normal runs have been diverted in that direction.—Associated Press.

RECORD OUTPUT

Washington, Oct. 2.

Farm machinery output reached a record dollar value of $66,767,000 in August, 13 per cent over July, the Civilian Production Administration announced.

The agency said that 7.8 per cent of the August allocation was for export compared to 9 per cent in July.

Included in exports were 17.2 per cent of the 28,420 tractors produced.—Associated Press.

WOOL SALES

Sydney, Oct. 3.

Greasy merino wool sold at 41 pence a pound in the Sydney sales yesterday, reflecting the firm characteristics of the previous auctions this week.

At the New Zealand sales in Christ Church yesterday best prices were 26¾ pence for two lots of half-bred Hoggett, and 27 pence for South Island fine wool fleece.—Associated Press.

Athens, Oct. 4.

The Finance Minister has authorised the Bank of Greece to resume the servicing of arrear coupons up to April 1, 1941 of foreign loans unpaid during the war. Payment will take place in drachmas at parity with foreign exchange and interest rates agreed with foreign holders before the war.—Reuter.

San Francisco, Oct. 4.

Unofficial estimates at the Bank of America head office indicate it maintained world leadership in the size of resources and deposits in the third quarter with a deposit rise of $30,000,000. Its estimated total was $5,250,000,000; National City Bank of New York $4,854,000,000 and Chase Bank $4,642,000,000.—Associated Press.

Alexandria, Oct. 5.

Gold, per fine ounce 166 Piastres.—Reuter.

BOMBAY SILVER & GOLD

Bombay, Oct. 5.

	Rupees	Annas
Silver, Ready	168	08
	per 100 tolas	
Silver, Forward	102	12
	per 100 tolas	
Gold Delivery	99	12
	per tola	
Gold Forward	93	00
	per tola	

Sovereigns unquoted.—Reuter.

SILVER PRICE

New York, Oct. 4.

The official quotation on silver lowered yesterday to 89 cents an ounce by Handy and Harman, bullion dealers, was restored today to the previous level of 90½ cents.—Associated Press.

New York, Oct. 6.

Sharp and Dohme declared a 25 cent dividend, payable Nov. 1 to stockholders of record Oct. 8. It followed similar dividends in March and August and was the first time in years a third dividend had been declared.—Associated Press.

New York, Oct. 6.

Export circles said Argentine exporters were offering corn for shipment at the equivalent of $2.00½ a bushel compared with the United States December export level fob the Atlantic seaboard of $1.51.—Associated Press.

San Francisco, Oct. 6.

Departures Oct. 4, the Herbert D. Crowley for Manila, the Great Republic for Yokohama and the Bald Eagle for Manila.—Associated Press.

U.S. Cotton

New York, Oct. 6.

Trade buying and hedging caused an irregular trend in cotton futures Saturday.

Prices moved over a wide range and were easily influenced by orders in either direction.

Deferred contracts were the strongest buying in this section of the list and again reflected trade ideas that the Government Oct. 8 report will be at least 200,000 bales below the Sept. 1 estimate of 9,171,000 bales.

Futures closed 35 cents to $2.75 a bale higher.

Oct. 38.70 bid, Dec. 38.49-52, March 38.16-17, May 37.71-75, July 37.00-02, Oct. 33.57-58.

New Orleans cotton futures advanced on week-end short covering Saturday. Closing prices were very steady 60 cents to $1.55 a bale higher.

Oct. 38.48 bid, Dec. 38.43-46, March 38.16-8, May 37.60-73, July 36.96.—Associated Press.

CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago, Oct. 6.

All grain futures advanced Saturday with nearby deliveries showing the largest up turn on trade reports that the Government would attempt transfer of 100,000,000 bushels of wheat from the Northwest before the Great Lakes navigation closed.

Traders felt the boxcars needed for the movement of this grain would intensify the shortage for the shipment of corn and oats to terminals.

Wheat closed 1½-⅜ higher, January $2.03⅛; March $1.98; May $1.94⅛.

Corn was up one to two cents, January $1.30⅝.

Oats were up ⅜-2⅜ cents, November 84⅞ cents-85.—Associated Press.

N.Y. Stock Exchange

New York, Oct. 6.

The stock market's first Saturday session since May ended a losing week with one of the smallest volume for the past two years.

Prices generally continued to give ground. During the short session transactions amounted to only 370,000 shares.

The boardrooms were all but deserted.

The trend was easy with declines fractions to a point or more predominant.

Hiram Walker was off 4 points on 200 shares Chrysler 1½; U.S. Rubber 1¾; International Harvester 1¾; General Motors 1¼ and Santa Fe 1.

Casualties included U.S. Steel, Bethlehem, Goodyear, Montgomery Ward, American Telephone, Anaconda, Pennsylvania Southern, Schenley, General Electric and Johns Manville.

Backward in the curb market were Northern States Power, and Cuban and Atlantic.

The Dow Jones averages:
20 Industrials 169.00, 15 Rails 46.79, 10 Utilities 34.38, Stocks 60.79.

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SILK SALES

Washington, Oct. 3.

The United States Commercial Company, a Reconstruction Finance Corporation subsidiary, importing Japanese raw silk said they hoped to sell an increased amount at the fourth sale, scheduled in New York Oct. 16. Disposal by open auction is replacing previous sealed bids.

USCC declined to comment on the changed disposal method but it is generally understood that this is an effort to increase sales which lagged recently. Approximately 5,600 bales are slated to be offered on Oct. 16.—Associated Press.

U.S. COTTON

New York, Oct. 4.

Cotton futures declined under hedge selling by commission source profit taking and closed 90 cents to $1.60 a bale lower. Extreme losses were cut by mill buying and short covering.

Oct. 38.63, Dec. 38.33, March 37.94-96, May 37.43-45, July 36.33 nominal.

New Orleans cotton futures closed $1.30 a bale lower to 10 cents higher.

Oct. 38.86 bid, Dec. 38.30-31, March 38.00-02, May 37.53-56, July 36.65-73.—Associated Press.

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SOCCER CROWDS BREAK ALL RECORDS

London, Oct. 5.

The first back to normal English Soccer season, despite restrictions in the interests of safety, is drawing the biggest crowds in football history. The aggregate today reached the million mark, never previously attained, for the third time since the season opened five weeks ago.

The all-Lancashire duel between Manchester United and Preston North End attracted the biggest crowd of the afternoon. A crowd of 56,000 saw the premier League runners-up save a point after Preston led 1-0 at the interval. This brought the attendance record at Maine Road ground, shared by United and Manchester City, to nearly the half million mark so far.

Fifty-five thousand packed James Park ground, Newcastle to see Newport County's goalie stoop 13 times to pick the ball from the back of the net.

The hero of the match was the International inside-right Ben Shackleton signed by Newcastle from Bradford for £13,000 earlier in the week.

He appeared worth every penny of it when scoring five goals—four in the first half. In one dazzling spell he got three in six minutes to help the Tynesiders to a 7-0 interval lead.

Their crushing defeat sent Newport to the bottom of the table and took Newcastle to second place.

Two defenders got their names on today's score sheets. One was Birmingham's full back Trigg, whom Manager Harry Storer drafted to centre-forward in an effort to improve Birmingham's dismal record of ten goals from nine games.

The move came off; Trigg scored one of the Midlanders' four goals and the team gave their best performance of the season.

The other defence man was Luton's centre-half Eager who led the attack against Leicester and scored within five minutes. However, it was of no avail as Leicester rallied to win 2-1.

Manchester's Fall

Barnsley and Queens Park Rangers, leading the Second Division and the Third Division South, respectively, are the only undisturbed teams in the English League. Manchester City lost that distinction in London today when West Ham United scored after a goalless first half.

City thus dropped from second to fourth place in the Second Division, Barnsley, the surprise team of the season, led 2-1 at Swansea at the interval, but were forced to relent in the second half.

Their centre-forward George Robledo, who is one of the best in the country, scored both goals. He has the distinction of being the only South-American-born professional in the English League. He was born in Chile.

Barnsley still have a clear four point lead over Newcastle.

Shock For Blackpool

Blackpool, leaders in the premier division, had an early shock. They were only drawing 1-1 with the depleted Arsenal side but class prevailed.

Charlton are the leading London First Division side at the moment. They soundly beat Bolton who started the season as champions, but have been very shaky since. Bolton's captain and left-back Hubbick missed the match, having lost his place in the first team after 112 consecutive appearances.

One of the mysteries of the season has been the luck of Derby County. Although playing good football they had suffered five narrow defeats in seven games. Their luck had to turn and turn it did today.

The Cup winners trounced Brentford at home. Kenneth Powell, wounded in France soon after D-Day, made an impressive debut for Derby but the mainspring of the team were Raich Carter and Peter Doherty, two of the greatest inside forwards in the game.

In the West Riding "Derby," Leeds United got off the bottom of the First Division table by beating Huddersfield 5-0. Huddersfield are now on the bottom.

Doncaster Rovers continued on their winning way at Barrow, but cannot shake off Chester, who are only just behind them.

"Less Criticism"

A loudspeaker appeal from the Reading manager for less criticism of the Reading players, had its effect. Reading almost immediately scored two goals, but Watford fought back to win 3-2.

In Scotland the League Cup games proved a big draw. Fifty thousand watched Rangers beat Morton at Ibrox Park.

There was a thrilling game at Firhill where Hearts, fighting back all the time, managed to share eight goals with Partick Thistle. The big surprise of the day, however, was provided by Third Lanark who went to Edinburgh and brought off a merited win over Hibernian. Celtic's attack had little chance against Hamilton. Celtic could do no better than draw so are still in search of a win in the competition, as are Partick, Queens Park and St. Mirren.—Reuter.

HOW THEY STAND

First Division

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Blackpool	10	6	2	2	22	13	14
Manchester U.	9	6	1	2	22	9	14
Sunderland	9	5	2	2	18	15	12
Stoke City	10	5	3	2	31	24	12
Aston Villa	10	6	4	0	10	9	12
Liverpool	8	5	2	1	19	12	11
Wolverhampton	11	5	5	1	17	15	11
Middlesbrough	7	5	2	0	13	9	10
Sheffield U.	8	3	1	4	14	12	10
Charlton A.	9	4	3	2	21	14	10
Bolton W.	10	5	5	0	19	15	10
Brentford	8	4	4	0	12	17	8
Everton	8	3	4	1	6	11	7
Chelsea	9	2	4	3	19	23	7
Preston N.E.	9	3	5	1	14	21	7
Blackburn R.	8	3	5	0	11	11	6
Derby County	8	3	5	0	14	15	6
Grimsby Town	8	2	4	2	9	16	6
Portsmouth	9	3	6	0	14	16	6
Arsenal	9	2	6	1	13	19	5
Huddersfield	9	2	6	1	8	19	5
Leeds United	10	2	7	1	17	27	5

Second Division

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Barnsley	10	6	0	4	26	14	16
Newcastle U.	9	4	1	4	27	8	12
West Bromwich	9	6	3	0	24	15	12
Chesterfield	8	4	1	3	9	4	11
Manchester C.	8	4	1	3	18	7	11
Burnley	9	4	2	3	12	10	11
Fulham	9	4	2	3	20	21	11
Plymouth A.	8	3	1	4	15	12	10
Tottenham H.	8	3	2	3	13	10	9
Bradford	8	3	2	3	18	14	9
Birmingham C.	10	4	5	1	14	13	9
Coventry C.	10	2	3	5	14	16	9
West Ham U.	8	4	4	0	12	14	8
Southampton	8	3	2	3	14	13	7
Bury	9	1	3	5	16	17	7
Leicester C.	9	3	5	1	11	10	7
Luton Town	8	3	5	0	15	13	6
Notts Forest	8	3	5	0	17	20	6
Sheffield W.	9	2	5	2	15	22	6
Swansea Town	9	2	5	2	11	25	6
Newport C.	7	1	5	1	10	22	3
Millwall	8	0	5	3	8	20	3

Third Division South

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts
Queen's P.R.	9	6	0	3	16	2	15
Cardiff City	10	7	3	0	25	9	14
Bristol City	9	5	1	3	20	9	13
Swindon Town	9	5	2	2	24	15	12
Southend	9	4	1	4	14	12	12
Crystal Palace	10	5	3	2	13	20	12
Exeter City	9	5	3	1	15	16	11
Mansfield Town	9	4	2	3	12	13	10
Ipswich Town	8	3	2	3	16	10	9
Notts County	9	4	4	1	14	16	9
Watford	9	4	4	1	16	16	9
Bournemouth	10	4	5	1	11	14	9
Torquay U.	8	2	2	4	10	11	8
Reading	9	3	4	2	28	17	8
Walsall	9	3	4	2	10	11	8
Brighton-Hove	9	3	4	2	9	14	8
Northampton	9	3	5	1	17	14	7
Port Vale	9	3	4	3	12	14	7
Aldershot	9	2	6	1	13	25	5
Bristol R.	9	2	6	1	13	18	5
Clapton Orient	9	1	5	3	7	14	5
Norwich City	10	1	8	1	12	[illegible]	3

Third Division North

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts
Doncaster R.	9	8	1	0	25	9	16
Chester	10	7	1	2	31	18	16
Rotherham U.	8	7	1	0	24	8	14
Stockport C.	9	6	2	1	15	10	13
Bradford C.	9	5	2	2	12	11	12
Wrexham	10	4	2	4	12	11	12
Hartlepools	9	4	2	3	16	11	11
Oldham A.	9	4	3	2	13	11	10
Lincoln C.	8	4	3	1	16	11	9
Barrow	10	3	4	3	12	12	9
Halifax	10	3	4	3	12	17	9
York City	8	3	3	2	15	16	8
Tranmere R.	8	4	4	0	13	18	8
Crewe A.	9	3	4	2	14	15	8
Carlisle U.	8	3	4	1	10	21	7
Gateshead	9	3	5	1	19	21	7
Darlington	10	3	6	1	18	25	7
Rochdale	10	2	6	2	17	24	6
New Brighton	8	1	4	3	12	17	5
Hull City	10	1	6	3	11	21	5
Accrington	8	2	6	0	12	21	4
Southport	9	1	6	2	14	23	4

Fort Worth, Oct. 6.

Young Frank Stranahan, Toledo amateur, left the field of crack professionals behind him yesterday as he posted five under par, 66, to take the lead at the half-way mark in the $10,000 Fort Worth Open Golf Tournament with a score of 132.—Associated Press.

RUGBY LEAGUE

London, Oct. 5.

The following are the results in Rugby League games played to-day:—

Batley 14 Hunslet 17; Bradford Northern 20 Barrow 10; Castleford 22 Oldham 6; Huddersfield 40 Keighley 18; Hull 27 Swinton 2; Leeds 17 Liverpool Stanley 15; Leigh 5 Belle Vue Rangers 4; Rochdale Hornets 16 Bramley 0; Salford 0 Halifax 23; Wakefield Trinity 4 Dewsbury 11; Warrington 19 St. Helens 10; Widnes 10 Featherstone Rovers 3; Wigan 60 Hull Kingston Rovers 2; Workingtown 14 York 2.

Rugby Union results were:—

Blackheath 0 Birkenhead Park 5; Guy's Hospital 19 United Services (Portsmouth) 14; Harlequins 18 London Scottish 8; Richmond 11 Paris University 11; Rosslyn Park 3 Swansea 9; St. Bart's Hospital 3 Mossley 13; Aberdavon 9 London Welch 0; Aldershot Services 26 St. Thomas' Hospital 11; Abertillery 3 Pontypool 0; Bath 13 Weston-super-Mare 3; Bedford 15 London Irish 0; Bridgewater Barbarians 11 Torquay Athletic 22; Cheltenham 47 RAF 0; Coventry 17 Leicester 3; Crosskeys 3 Newbridge 9; Falmouth 10 Camborne 8; Gloucester 12 Exeter 6; Llanelly 11 Neath 7; Newport 6 Cardiff 8; Northampton 29 Old Mill Hillians 0.—Reuter.

Club Beat Navy Team

On the Cricket Club ground yesterday, H.K.C.C. beat Navy by six wickets in a friendly match.

Navy were all out for 142 and after passing their opponents total, Club continued batting and had 180 for 6 when stumps were drawn.

Sound batting by Cole early in the game and later by Hopwood made the score look respectable for Navy after they had lost two wickets for two runs. Cole batted firmly and hit six boundaries in his 66. Hopwood and Goddard added 29 for the last wicket.

Had a hard chance given by Hart-Baker been accepted early on, Club might have had to struggle for a win. Pearce, driving and pulling with great confidence, changed the complexion of the game and with Hart-Baker put on 60 for two wickets. Further shocks followed Pearce's departure at 125 when three wickets fell before the game was won.

Royal Navy.—142 for (Cole 56, Hopwood 34, Goddard 22, C. Bell 4 for 31)

H.K.C.C. — 180 for six wickets. (Pearce 62, Hart-Baker 42, Ingham 23 not out, Granville 3 for 34).

FRIENDLY CRICKET

In a friendly cricket game at King's Park yesterday, 3 Commando Brigade H.Q. drew with Dockyard Recreation Club.

3 Commando Bde. H.Q.

Furlong, c Tickell, b Evans	33
Parminter, b Matthews	50
Gourlay, b Evans	12
Williams, c Coker, b Stevens	10
Sinclair, b Stevens	14
Kennedy, c Matthews, b Stevens	22
Sutton, c and b Stevens	1
Jewers, b Brown	26
Pickering, b Stevens	1
Pearn not out	11
Allsop not out	0
Extras	4
Total (for 9 wkts dec.)	184

Dockyard R.C.

White, b Allsop	10
Ellis, b Williams	1
Coker, b Pickering	18
Stevens, c Gourlay, b Pickering	3
Tickell, b Pickering	1
Matthews, b Pickering	0
Brown not out	14
Ford, b Allsop	1
Collins lbw, b Gourlay	0
Evans not out	11
Extras	3
Total (for 8 wkts)	62

Aucult did not bat.

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WARNING

London, Oct. 6.

James Hay, secretary of the Football Players' Union, indicated yesterday that all of England's league football will cease after Oct. 15, unless the Ministry of Labour in the meantime says it will arbitrate in the wage dispute between players and football clubs.—Associated Press.

Musial Tops The List

New York, Oct. 6.

Compiling the highest mark in the last nine years, Stan Musial of the St. Louis Cardinals won the National League batting title with an unofficial figure of .367.

He drove out 226 hits in 616 trips to the plate to finish 30 points above Johnny Nimee of the New York Giants.

Musial also led the league in runs scored with 121, doubles 28 and triples 19.

Other leaders—

Ralph Biner of Pittsburgh, home runs 22.

Pete Reiser, of Brooklyn, stolen bases, 35.

Schoolboy Rose of Philadelphia, leading pitcher, 11 wins and 4 losses.

Twenty game pitchers, Howie Pollet of St. Louis 20 and 10; Johnny Sain of Boston 20 and 14.

Mickey Vernon, who led the American League batting practically all season had an unofficial high at the end. The Washington lefthander had .353 average, 11 points higher than Ted Williams of Boston.

Other leaders—Hank Greenberg, of Detroit, home runs 44 and runs batted in 127.

Hank Edwards of Cleveland 16 triples.

Stan Spence of Washington, 49 doubles.

Johnny Pesky of Boston, Most hits, 208.

Williams, runs scored, 142.

George Case of Cleveland, 29 stolen bases.

Dave Ferriss of Boston, pitching 25 wins and 6 losses for a .806 average.

Other 20 game winners were Detroit's Hal Newhouser 26 and 9; Spud Chandler, New York 20 and 9; Tex Hughson, Boston 20 and 11 and Bob Feller, Cleveland 26 and 15.

Sensational Defeat Of The RAF

Royal Air Force, last year's Soccer Champions, were sensationally defeated 4-3 by Sing Tao yesterday after holding a 3-1 lead until the last few minutes of the game. The hero of the game was Fung King-cheong, veteran Interporter, who registered the "hat-trick." His last goal was an excellent individual effort. R.A.F. appeared to tire in the closing stages, while the Chinese played brilliant football at the end

On the Club ground, C.A.S.C. defeated 44 Commando in a dull and uninteresting game by 3 goals to 1. Both sides appeared to be off form and the shooting of the Commando forwards left much to be desired.

POOR GAME

In a game which was, on the whole, far below First Division standard, C.A.S.C. succeeded in defeating 44 Commando by 3 goals to 1 on the Club Ground at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon.

Play was confined to midfield for most of the time and the handful of spectators present must have heaved a sigh of relief when the final whistle sounded.

The 44 Commando forwards somehow could not get going and were atrociously weak in front of goal. They were well supplied with passes and had countless opportunities to score. Instead of taking advantage of these they either ballooned the ball or shot weakly into the hands of the goalie.

The Chinese forwards, on the other hand, put up a better display and made best use of the few opportunities presented them.

Both defences were shaky under pressure and it was bad positioning which enabled Li Chun-fat to break through and open the scoring after the game was about 10 minutes old. Thornton in the 44 Commando goal played a good game and brought off several spectacular saves.

Man Injured

44 Commando were playing only ten men throughout most of the second half, as Lieut. Stanley who had injured himself in the first half and gamely took the field after the interval while still limping was finally forced to retire. The score at this time was 1-1.

A brilliant shot by one of the Chinese forwards was saved by Thornton at the expense of a corner. From the resultant corner kick, Li Chun-fat again netted to put the Chinese in the lead. Enlivened by this success and taking advantage of the fact that 44 Commando were one man short, the Chinese attacked strongly and a breakaway by the right wing resulted in the latter sending in a perfect centre for Ho Yau-kee to tap past Thornton.

44 Commando pressed repeatedly, but bad finishing robbed them of any chance to draw level.

Li Chun-fat (2) and Ho Yau-kee (1) scored for C.A.S.C. while 44 Commando's solitary goal came from Ward.

The teams:

44 Commando: Thorton, Lt. Stanley, Collier, Brown, Wells, Davis, Parry, McCartrey, Ward, Murral and Raynor.

C.A.S.C.: Yu Kai-yan, Ho Ka-keung, Li Kwok-wai, Chan Kam-pui, Chung Hing-yuk, Chan Yu-sing, Chin Chi-fai, Ho Yau-kee, Lo Wah-sing, Li Chun-fat and Leung Ping-kwan.

The game was capably handled by Mr. Chan King-tsek, making his first appearance at local soccer. It is understood that Mr. Chan has had considerable experience as a soccer referee.

GRAND FOOTBALL

A grand game of football was witnessed at Causeway Bay yesterday afternoon when Sing Tao met the R.A.F. in a First Division match. The pace throughout was fast, neither team letting up until the final whistle.

The R.A.F. were early on the attack and a shot by Kildare narrowly missed. At the other end, some nice passing movements by Sing Tao fizzled out in front of goal.

Lord opened the scoring for the R.A.F. when after some midfield play Beech fastened on to the ball and pushed it down the middle to Lord, who cut round the back and shot into the corner of the net.

Sing Tao came more into the game after this but lack of steadiness in front of goal spoilt many good chances. Eventually, however, Tang Kwong-sum got the ball and, leaving the back standing, cut in to send in a ground shot which Pope could not hold Tang Kwong-sum, following up put the ball into the back of the net.

Shortly after this, the Sing Tao right-winger again ran down the wing to send in a shot which brought Pope to his knees.

Sing Tao were now doing most of the attacking and Lai Shui-wing sent Lee Tak-kee through but the centre shot wide. The R.A.F. attacks at this stage were spasmodic but it was from one of these that they scored again.

Stickland got the ball and after some dribbling around sent it out to Beech; Beech ran around the back to put a centre to Lord who scored.

After the interval the game was played at the same pace, with the ball swinging from one end to the other. Both defences were severely tested but both came through a gruelling time with honours, Sinclair for the R.A.F. and Hui King-seng for Sing Tao particularly impressed.

R.A.F. went further ahead when a penalty was given for hands, Sinclair making no mistake with the spot kick.

It looked now as if the R.A.F. had the game in their pockets and the pace slackened a little.

Sensation!

Then, ten minutes from the end, with a large section of the crowd making their way towards the exits, a transformation came over the Chinese side. Tsao Tsiu-ting got the ball on the left wing and running down passed inside to Fung King-cheung who put in a beautiful shot from the edge of the penalty area which the goalkeeper didn't see.

Away again went the Sing Tao forwards and from a centre by Tang Kwong-sum Fung King-cheung headed in from under the bar.

It was now all Sing Tao and with the crowd roaring approval (this was the famous "Hampden Roar" in miniature) the forwards kept pressing.

The final goal came two minutes before the end and it was a great climax to such a fine recovery. Some lovely inter-passing went on until Tsao Tsui-ting, running down the left, centred the ball knee high across the goalmouth. It passed everyone except Fung King-cheung who flung himself forward to head into the net, and bring his total for the afternoon to three.

It is sufficient to say of these two sides that one couldn't single out any individual for praise, each man playing his part in a hard, fast and clean game of football.

Teams:—

R.A.F.:—Pope, Sinclair, Johnson, Anderson, Cashman, Burns, Beech, Stickland, Lord, Kildare, Eve.

Sing Tao:—Chu Shiu Hong, Hau Yung Sang, Tam Kong Pak, Chang Kam Hoi, Hsui King Seng, Tang Kwong Sum, Fung King Cheung, Lee Tak Kee, Lai Shui Wing, Tsao Tsiu Ting.

World Wants British Soccer Coaches

(By Vernon Morgan)

London, Oct. 6.

The World wants to play Soccer the English way. The Football Association is being flooded with requests from clubs abroad for recommendation of ace British footballers to undertake coaching engagements.

The FA in turn, has circulated League clubs and is putting the whole weight behind sending these soccer Ambassadors overseas. The offers are most attractive and for the most part are far in excess of the £10 per week offered to players by League clubs at home.

There is, for instance, a coaching job with Western India Football Association. This carries a contract for from three to five years at terms to be mutually agreed—which might even be beyond £1,000 per year.

If a player looking for a coaching post does not want to go that far there are plenty of good jobs going on the Continent. The Coimbra Students Federation in Portugal is another club willing to pay £1,000 a year to the right man.

Sweden, Denmark, Venezuela and Ireland are among the others in the market. Belgium thinks so highly of English soccer that they want an English player to coach their national team!

Many former famous players are already actively engaged on coaching duties on the Continent, which explains partly the high standard pertaining in clubs today. Reports from those coaches indicate that conditions are genuinely satisfactory and the experience afforded well worth while, so there should be a good response to the FA appeal. Apart from the prestige the foreign clubs get out of having English coaches they are shrewd enough to realise that the men will come straight from the British League clubs and can get on the pitch with their players and not only tell them what to do but do it.

Stanley Matthews

The question soccer fans are asking today is whether England's crack winger Stanley Matthews has played his last game for England.

Profiting by Matthews inability to play against Ireland or Eire owing to injury, Preston's right winger Tom Finney, played such a storming game, especially in the first match against Ireland that Soccer writers are writing such things as "The King is dead," "Long Live the King."

There is little doubt that Finney, who is a plumber by trade, is a rising star; but whether Matthews' day is done will only be settled when the England side is selected. It will at least be a great comfort to them to know that they have a ready made winner to step into Matthews' boots when that player has seen his last days in International football.

One thing which is particularly noticeable about Finney is that he inspired his partner, Carter, to such an extent that the England right wing was superb. So good in fact that the critics said it would be a pity to change it.

Individualist

Matthews undoubtedly is—and ask any wing-halfback who has ever opposed him what sort of an afternoon he gave them—an individualist and does not fit in too well with a forward line. The fact that he roams makes it very hard for his partner. The selectors may well think that a solid line is better collectively with Finney as the right winger in place of Matthews.

But if Matthews is replaced it will not alter the fact that he ranks among the immortals; that not within living memory has he had a peer and that in an all-star eleven of all-time Matthews the wizard of Stoke would probably be found in most lists at outside right.

All great men have their day and few players had had such a long run at the pinnacle of fame as this elusive winger, who seems to read the mind of his adversary and always be just where he is least expected.—Reuter.

FOOTBALL RESULTS

First Division

C.A.S.C.	3	44 R.M. Cdo.	1
R.A.F.	3	Sing Tao	4

Second Division

C.A.S.C.	1	3 Cdo. Bde. H.Q.	3
42 Cdo.	2	Sing Tao	5

American Football

West Point, N.Y., Oct. 6.

The big Red of Cornell saw red often enough to pile up more points against Army's footballers than any other great outfit has done for three years but not often enough to stop the Cadets from careening to 46 to 21 to their 21st straight victory.

Cornell actually led for a few moments in the first quarter and came up to score twice more in the closing half.

Football scores today:

Oklahoma A. & M. 6, University of Texas 54. Wichita 7, Kansas 14. Pittsburgh 0, Notre Dame 33. Purdue 7, Illinois 43. Kansas State 0, Nebraska 31. Texas Aggies 7, Oklahoma 10. Wisconsin 0, Northwestern 28. Indian 21, Minnesota 0. Tennessee 12, Duke 7. Alabama 14, South Carolina 6. Idaho 0, Washington State 23, Columbia 23, Navy 14. Army 46, Cornell 21.

Summaries

Colorado 6, Utah State 0.
Connecticut 25, Springfield 0.
Colby 13, Vermont 7.
Pennsylvania 66, Lafayette 0.
West Virginia 42, Waynesburg 0.
Holy Cross 16, Detroit 14.
Northeastern 13, Maine 7.
New Hampshire 25, Rhode Island 12.
Pennsylvania State 48, Bucknell 6.
Iowa State 20, Iowa Teachers 13.
Ohio 25, Western Michigan 7.
Wayne 13, Ohio Wesleyan 0.
Tulsa 46, Drake 13.
Virginia Tech 21, Virginia 21.
Colorado A and M 7, Wyoming 0.
Rice 48, Southwestern 0.
Montana 31, Eastern Washington 7.
Utah 14, Arizona 7.
—Associated Press.

CASC LOSE

In a scrappy Second Division encounter at Happy Valley yesterday, 3 Cdo. Bde. H.Q. easily defeated C.A.S. by 3 goals to 1.

3 Cdo. Bde. H.Q. were on the offensive most of the time. The Chinese goal was under continual bombardment, but the ball always just went wide or a little too high.

Gilman, McKay and Smith each scored one goal for 3 Cdo. Bde. H.Q. and Wan Cheuk replied with one for C.A.S.C.

Teams:—

3 Cdo. Bde. H.Q.:—Pilsworth, Brion, Cousins, Roberts, Francis, Dyball, Smith, McElhone, Gilman, McKay and Marsh.

C.A.S.C.:—Ho Po-pui, Ko Lai-ming, Chan Shiu-chuen, To Ho-kui, Chan Pei, Chan Ying-chuen, Tsui Yiu-tung, Wan Cheuk-sun, Leung Yuk-lun, Wong Tat-chuen, Chung Moon-wing.

Referee: LAC F. Roberts.

Why Be Critical?

London, Oct. 6.

So much lavish praise has been bestowed on the Indian cricketers now sailing home that one almost might be accused of favouritism and seeing everything through rose-coloured glasses.

Readers in India might well say but surely there must have been some criticism of the team somewhere. They couldn't have been as wonderful as they were painted (writes Vernon Morgan). Off the field they definitely were. There was never a discordant note that one could detect throughout the whole tour and everything nice said about them was fully deserved.

As for their cricket, well it was obviously not perfect, but they were a delightful side to watch and that is why everyone, players and public alike, spoke so highly of them. They gave enormous pleasure and that is what matters.

It is not the winning that counts for everything in the eyes of the public. It is very doubtful whether the Indians would have received more praise and certainly they would not have attracted a larger public had they won all their matches.

If one is looking for an analytical report then one can point to their weakness in the field, in which department they are still behind the best international standard.

One could also say as so many famous cricketers have already said, they are still lacking in that offensive (used in its correct context) spirit which is necessary to beat either England or Australia in the cricket field.

And one could also say that with the possible exception of Mankad, none of their new men was outstandingly successful in batting or bowling.

But why be critical, we all say: "Thank you, India, for sending us such a fine side of cricketers and gentlemen."—Reuter.

YACHT RACE

The first race of the championship series was sailed at the U.S.Y.C. yesterday.

Variable winds and a flooding tide which diminished as the race progressed taxed skill and judgment to the limit. Luffing, lee bow and starboard tactics were also much in evidence.

Weathering the first mark at Causeway Bay decided the race for some of the leaders while an interesting battle to round the mark in the full flood altered the fate of many of the boats.

The results were:—

1. Blue (Trier).
2. Queen (Honess).
3. Adamant I (Sedgwick).
4. Stonecutters II (Meeke).
5. Green (Thomson).
6. Tyne (Fisher).
7. Commodore II (McLoed).
8. Bonaventure I (Wernham).
9. Stonecutters III (K. Walton).
10. Duke of York (Andrews).
11. Stonecutters I (Johnson).
12. Duke of York (Howard).

Duke of York II and Stonecutters IV did not finish.

PAC. COAST TENNIS

San Francisco, Oct. 6.

Jack Kramer teamed with Bob Falkenberg in the men's doubles semi-final match in the Pacific Coast championships to defeat Ampon and Carmona, 6-4, 6-2, 3-6, 4-6, 6-3.

The Filipinos gave the Los Angeles pair a tough time with tricky angle shots, but the two Americans' hard drives and serves provided the margin they needed. The match was played on Friday.—Associated Press.

KCC ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Kowloon Cricket Club, first since the war, will be held in the Clubhouse on Friday at 5.45 p.m.

A "get together" Chinese dinner will be held after the meeting at about 8.30 p.m., and it is expected that an impromptu concert will be given.

QUIZ ANSWERS

(1) Lewis Carroll; (2) Jess Willard; (3) decibel; (4) a small glass bottle; (5) David Low; (6) collarbone; (7) mongooses; (8) mohair; (9) pi or 3 1-7, or 3.1416; (10) 3937; (11) Richard III; (12) Rear Admiral Sir John Franklin; (13) Hawaii; (14) Montreal; (15) cicada; (16) Mrs. Bardell; (17) Milton and Homer; (18) Gloaming; (19) Granny Smith; (20) Lawrence Hargreaves.